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THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Nothing has occurred to change the slightly upward trend of business activity except steel strikes, but they have been sufficient to cut a point and a half off the business index. Declining commodity prices have left protection against strikes as the main incentive to forward buying. It is consequently a race between unfilled orders and some new turn of affairs which will resolve the current feeling of uncertainty.

EXCEPT for the effects of strikes, business continues to move along at about the same speed as in recent weeks. Up to the latter part of last week the steel industry continued to operate at about 91 per cent of capacity, although it was time for a seasonal decline to set in, so that our weekly index of steel ingot production advanced from 120.4 to 122.0. But strikes have now curtailed production at the plants of three important companies, and The Iron Age states that the rate of ingot production for the current week is down to 77½ per cent. This will place our weekly steel index at about 105.6. It will clip a point and a half off the combined business index for the week ended tomorrow.

Automobile production also held up last week, contrary to the usual seasonal tendency. Our index of electric power production remained practically unchanged. Our car loadings indices, however, on the basis of preliminary estimates, dropped rather sharply.

Retail trade, according to C. F. Hughes in The New York Times of May 30, was rather disappointing in the pre-holiday week: "The South sent the best reports and there was some quickening in the Middle West. Otherwise, volume did not rise to expectations except in rural areas." This is a logical result of widespread strike disturbances in urban areas, and of rising cash farm income, which in April, on a seasonally adjusted basis, was the highest since April, 1930. The largest increase in farm income from April, 1936, to April, 1937, was with respect to cotton and cottonseed (up 85.7 per cent as compared with +18.3 per cent for all producers, excluding AAA payments).

Another factor in the recent more leisurely tendency in trade circles is the accumulation of inventories. At the end of March, according to the seasonally adjusted index computed by the Federal Reserve Board, the value of department store stocks was 76 per cent of the 1923-25 average, after a sharp rise from 64 per cent at the end of July, 1936. Reports from the New York area show pronounced increases in stocks of certain types of goods, particularly furniture and cotton goods, at the end of April as compared with the position at the end of April, 1936. The recent reversal of the rising price trend has removed the main incentive to inventory accumulation for the time being, while high retail prices have undoubtedly at the same time discouraged some buying at retail.

Any expectations that might have been entertained of an early resumption of the broad rise in commodity prices have undoubtedly been somewhat revised as a result of the action of prices in the last two weeks. The Annalist wholesale price index has dropped to within three-tenths of a point of the May 11 low point. Moody's daily index of spot prices on Wednesday closed at 204.2, as against its May 13 low point of 203.4. Further weakness occurred in some commodities Thursday. Rumors of a reduction in the United States Treasury's buying price of gold have been revived. Dehoarding in England has been resumed on a heavy scale.

One of the few favorable aspects of the recent accumulation of inventories in anticipation of higher prices is the protection it is now affording manufacturers and consumers against shortages of goods resulting from strikes. Many

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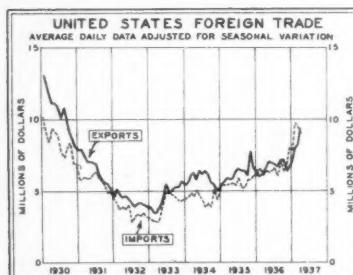
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steel consumers are drawing upon their stocks, according to *The Iron Age*, and jobbers' stocks are plentiful.

Merchandise exports showed a further increase in April, according to the monthly figures which the Department of Commerce has finally got around to issuing. On a seasonally adjusted basis, exports were the highest in total value since September, 1930. The March-April gain was reported to have been primarily in shipments of coal, petroleum and its products, iron and steel manufacturers, machinery, electrical apparatus and motor vehicles.



Imports, on a seasonally adjusted basis, were lower for the second month running, and in April were lower than exports. This decline may be considered favorable or unfavorable according to inbred economic doctrine. The self-containers, who have been greatly alarmed over the recent tendency of imports to exceed exports, will no doubt view the decline with satisfaction. With considerable more justification, those who view rising imports of foodstuffs as one of the evil consequences of our national policy of agricultural "planning" may also rejoice. Examination of the detailed figures, on the contrary, reveals, as might be expected on general principles, that the decline in imports was probably a result of poorer domestic business prospects. The March-April decrease, at any rate, was caused largely by less buying of essential industrial raw materials such as flaxseed, hides and skins, unmanufactured wool, wood pulp and tin, in addition to coffee and corn. It also seems probable that some one will raise the question whether the recent sharp rise in exports merely means that we are exchanging useful products of our farms, mines and factories for the steady stream of gold which is being buried in the hills of Kentucky.

Though of largely pre-recovery vintage, one of the most interesting statistical reports of the week is the recapitulation by the Treasury of the statistics of income for all corporations for the year 1934. In commenting on the earning power of American industry in *THE ANNALIST* of Feb. 12, we called attention to the danger of being misled by current corporation earnings reports showing large gains in net income, in view of the fact that these reports represented the results achieved by the larger and generally more successful companies and

TABLE I. NET INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS

(Millions of Dollars)			
1917....	10,100	1923....	6,308
1918....	7,673	1924....	5,363
1919....	8,416	1925....	7,621
1920....	5,874	1926....	7,504
1921....	458	1927....	6,510
1922....	4,770	1928....	8,200
		1929....	8,740
		1930....	1,551
		1931....	-3,288
		1932....	-5,644
		1933....	-2,546
		1934....	94

Obtained by subtracting total deficits of corporations reporting no net income from net income of corporations reporting net income. Source: Statistics of Income.

could hardly be accepted as representative of all American business organizations. At that time we stated that although the National City Bank's compilation of the net income of 1,935 companies showed an increase of 32 percent from 1933 to 1934, the probability was that all corporations filing income tax returns just about broke even in the

aggregate in 1934, whereas in 1935 they may have earned something like \$2,000,-000,000. The official report of the Treasury, issued this week, substantially confirms our estimate for 1934, as shown by Table I.

In view of the tacit assumption inherent in much currently proposed leg-

(except for comparatively minor variations), the figures given in Table II are interesting as showing how far from the truth either of these assumptions actually is. There would appear much to be gained, and nothing to be lost, if the Congressional committees considering the Fair Labor Relations Bill and sim-

sequent to 1934. The analysis of these statistics is, as we fully realize, a difficult, costly and tedious process. Nevertheless delay in getting them may be even more costly in the long run. Under the WPA relief program, moreover, much statistical work is going to waste, as, for example, in the case of a project we are told has been carried on for a year and a half in the vicinity of New York to measure the rate of acceleration of swimming (through water, not statistics).

TABLE II. NET INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS, 1934
(Thousands of Dollars)

Agriculture and related industries	-54,700
Mining and quarrying	9,310
Manufacturing:	
Food and kindred products	251,198
Liquors and beverages	81,925
Tobacco products	94,210
Textiles and their products	16,788
Leather and its manufactures	18,923
Rubber products	4,410
Forest products	49,498
Paper, pulp and products	52,471
Printing, publishing and allied industries	53,312
Chemicals and allied products	145,488
Stone, clay and glass products	25,224
Metal and its products	256,726
Manufacturing not elsewhere classified	28,736
Total manufacturing	979,915
Construction	-34,788
Transportation and other public utilities	276,402
Trade	321,174
Services: Professional amusements, hotels, &c.	175,599
Finance—Banking, insurance, real estate, holding companies, stock and bond brokers, &c.	1,204,776
Nature of business not given	4,150
Grand total	94,170

The idea of the arbitrary limitation of hours and wages has a strong appeal in spite of the unfavorable consequences of the NRA. One reason for this is that many corporations found by actual trial that efficiency was increased, or at the worst no great damage was done, by shorter hours of work for their employees. This is proved by the fact that many companies continued to maintain NRA standards after the NRA was abolished.

It is doubtful, however, whether the proponents of arbitrary limitation have any idea of what the effects would be if the general rules laid down or suggested by the Fair Labor Relations Bill were applied to all companies, large and small. It is doubtful whether they apprehend that in 1934, as shown by the Treasury statistics, 324,703 corporations in this country reported no net income, as compared with 145,101 corporations that reported net income. In any case, nobody knows what the situation is today, and the popular assumption that all businesses have increased their earnings to the same extent that many large corporations have increased theirs is probably entirely fallacious.

It is equally doubtful, on the other hand, whether there is much understanding of the underlying theory on which wage and hour limitations are based. A fair, brief statement of the theory, as expounded by John L. Lewis, is that, if a "floor" is put under wages, a "floor" will also be put under profits, cutthroat competition will be eliminated and the employers, as well as the employees, will be better off. Mr. Lewis's classic example is the Consolidation Coal Company, which reported a net profit under the NRA as compared with net losses in previous years. But Mr. Lewis, of course, had not seen "Statistics of Income," which shows that in 1934 the bituminous coal industry as a whole operated at a loss and that 1,357 coal companies reported no net income, as against 660 that reported net income. It has been demonstrated time and time again, moreover, that, as was the experience under the NRA, the first effects of mercantilistic measures are favorable but that the long-run results are stagnation and the embarrassment of small enterprises.

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The Public Utilities and the New Deal: TVA Times Eight Equals Power Plus

*"The New Deal moves toward complete socialization of the electric utilities. * * * The strategy has been: First, get the dams started under the excuse of navigation, flood control, etc. The second phase is one of gradual encroachment as government reaches out with its 'power authorities' one by one to grasp private markets for its publicly owned power. * * * President Roosevelt approved the TVA with the statement that if the brethren did well with their Star Lodge, other chapters would be chartered. And now they come * * * for action next year. * * * It may be foreseen that the hydropower advocates will now join the conservationists in a program which will extend from the rivers out over the land."—From THE ANNALIST, June 5, 1936.*

UPPERMOST in the government power program is the proposal to blanket the country with eight or more regional authorities after the style of TVA. It is a power-plus program—power plus navigation, flood-control and anything that will justify electric projects which cannot stand upon power alone.

Although the President's message on national planning has not been laid down as this is written, a general concept of regional development and multiple-purpose projects has been forming for years in the minds and in the statements of the government power group. The pattern, however much the details may vary from it, has been set plainly enough, so that its practical effects may be visualized, particularly in the light of what has happened in the Tennessee Valley.

Broadly speaking, the regional authority plan, with multiple-purpose development as a guiding principle, involves much more than power or than natural resources even. It is a new adventure in government—authoritarian government—a new layer of control between the Federal jurisdiction and that of the States and localities. This might give hope of an ultimately simpler and less costly political system had not TVA demonstrated the reverse of these benefits.

But the immediate questions are these: What are the likely effects of a set of new authorities upon private enterprise? What physical properties has the government to give these agencies and toward what early results? What are the implications of multiple-purpose developments which are taking the central government into broadening fields of socialization?

Power Investors Pay for Program

Thus far the most tangible effect of the government's power program is to be seen in the accompanying chart of power stock trends, as compared with other stocks. How the competitive attitude of one authority in one region beat down power stocks, time after time, can be readily seen in the breaks that came with TVA announcements. The spectacular drop of 1935, of course, was due to the fear of something else; of the holding company bill which threatened to weaken the resistance of the industry to competition of the TVA type.

It is true that power stocks have advanced since that time. But, plainly, they have not regained the position relative to the rest of the market, which they held before the Federal program began. How much higher they would stand today can only be guessed. The differences could be as much as 20 to 30 points in the accompanying chart had

power securities since 1933 not fallen but advanced as did industrials and rails. The difference may be estimated conservatively in the hundreds of millions of dollars, a figure comparable to the cost of the government power program to date.

When stock values drop, it is not the "power trust" that pays but the rank

treme case of what can happen if the government power advocates have their way.

The decline in Commonwealth and Southern, the holding company which bears the brunt of TVA competition, is shown on the small chart, next page. The fact that this recession has continued despite the gain in earnings of the com-

rarely restrained the extension of lines has recently been set aside. And more big dams are going forward to add to the great surplus of capacity seeking markets over these lines. In vain the power company officials have taken plan after plan to the Authority for tie-in arrangements to distribute government power through their own facilities. TVA would not agree to a contract assuring Tennessee Electric Power Company against TVA competition in areas served by TVA power over company lines. This failing, TEPICO wanted to build a steam plant to increase its capacity but TVA intervened with the Public Service Commission, in a State where TVA is the big business and the major political power, in an effort to force the company to accept current on authoritarian terms.

So the conquest goes on and, as TVA captures an area, the companies either have to sell out or pull up their poles. The Alabama Power Company, for example, sold its system at Florence and Tuscaloosa at a sacrifice and has taken income notes from the municipalities. At Sheffield the company could get no settlement and is having to dismantle its properties. These are little towns but as injunctions against PWA municipal systems are lifted the wrecking crews will have bigger jobs.

Limitations

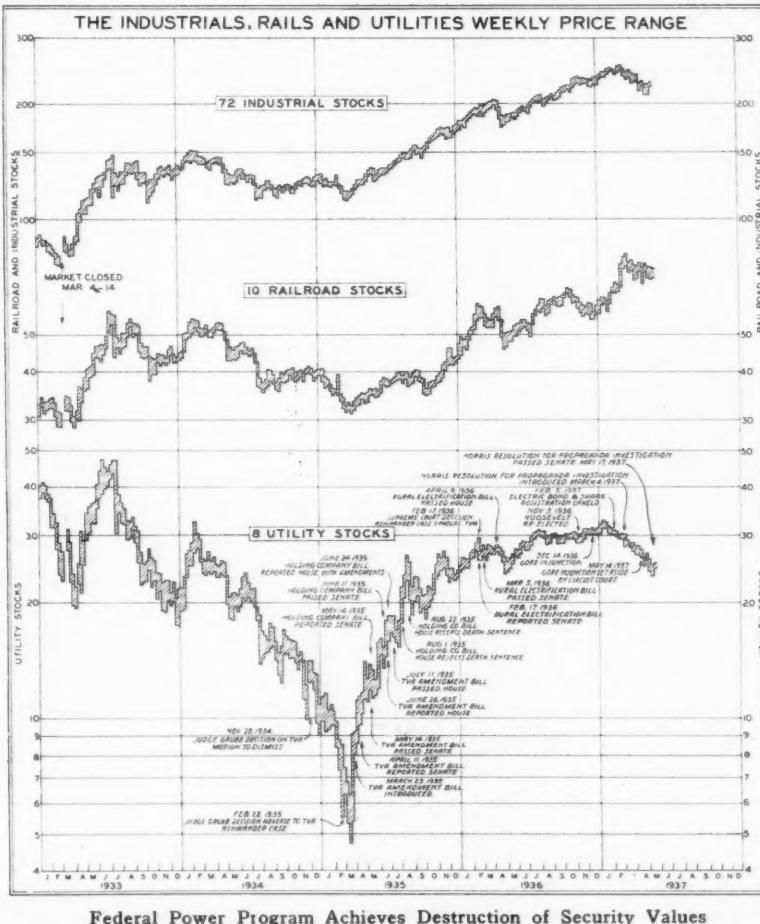
This is the outpost area where private initiative is in a death struggle with the authoritarians. How far the process can go in other areas was discussed in general terms in THE ANNALIST of April 2. The point was made that generating capacity is only a fraction of the cost of furnishing electricity to its consumers. Thus the government will have to spend vast sums to buy or build lines before it can market all the power it is planning to generate. The growing strength of the economy movement and the determination of Congress to earmark funds rather than to appropriate for Presidential allocation makes Federal money much tighter. TVA has been dealt with generously because of the sacrosanct nature of the power program which frightens Congressional opposition. But when TVA is only one of several Authorities the power money will be spread thinner due to regional pressures.

Development for flood control in lieu of power is another limiting factor. Although a concerted effort has been made to subvert the flood-control program in the furtherance of hydro-power development, as will be shown, the cause is not yet a lost one.

Internal disagreement among Federal agencies may be a cause of delay and of disunited action. The controversy now ranging about Bonneville—with diverse interests battling for control by Army, the Interior, or a separate Authority; with the Federal Power Commission wanting to control rates; and with sectional interests at odds over what the yardstick shall be—shows that all is not clockwork in the Federal-ownership machine.

Who makes the rates is important in determining the ability of Federal projects to offer destructive competition. The Brookings report to the Congressional Committee on Government Reorganization recommends a central rate-making agency consolidated with the power commission because:

If the "yardstick" theory is to be of any value in practice, there must obviously be a fair allocation of the part of



Federal Power Program Achieves Destruction of Security Values

- 1932—Power stocks recovering and in good position as compared with other stocks.
- 1933—TVA and other projects start downward reaction.
- 1934—Reaction continues as Federal program expands.
- 1935—Holding Company Bill depresses power stocks to deep low from fear of the "death sentence." Hopes that sentence will fail enactment or will prove unconstitutional bring upward trend, shaken by adoption of death sentence.
- 1936—Election year; little said about power. With this respite, power stocks follow general market trends, but do not regain the levels reached before the Federal program.
- 1937—Further decline through fear of Norris multiple authority plan and other Federal action; also because rising prices and fear of new taxes, with rates pegged and without much gain in electric output, react against earnings outlook.

and file of the people who own these widely held securities. They, in effect, have paid for the program by a shrinkage in their savings, laid up for future use or convertible into present spending which would aid the national recovery. The people have paid once in that way and they will pay a second time in taxes for Federal works, the cost of which is now a part of the national debt. They will pay a third time in interest before that debt is retired.

This destruction of the people's assets and of their purchasing power has been influenced in no small part by the policies of TVA. If other authorities are set up under like policies and are developed in their several regions to the extent of TVA, further losses are inevitable. The "if" is important. We will come to the limiting factors. But let us view the ex-

pany, because of fears of what is to come, may be taken as showing that Federal aggression can virtually wipe out the equity of common stockholders in companies which fall in its path.

Just what Commonwealth and Southern is facing is indicated in the map (see next page) of TVA transmission lines which are locking antlers with the C. & S. system at many points and incidentally with the systems of operating companies owned by National Power and Light and by Associated Gas and Electric. The needless extent to which the Authority has paralleled private lines is graphically illustrated. Whether in power facilities, or railroads, or grocery stores, experience has shown that duplication of properties means destruction of values.

This is only the beginning in TVA land, since the injunction which tempo-

the cost of each project to be charged to the installation of power facilities as against the part to be charged to the improvement of navigation, flood control, irrigation, or a combination of these factors. The allocation should be made by an independent power authority, not by the constructing and operating agency, which may be tempted to manipulate its capital base for power purposes in order to make a good showing in the matter of rates.

But Senator Bone, in the case of Bonneville, would charge the entire cost to navigation. How the rate-making controversy will finally be decided cannot easily be forecast.

Despite these possible limitations, the large Federal projects under way in various regions will give the proposed authorities something to start with so that they can cause considerable harassment to the utilities. Although some of the effect may already have been discounted in power-stock prices, it has been demonstrated that the mere threat, let alone the actuality, of Federal competition can play havoc. A whole set of authorities can perform more unsettling antics than one in a single region.

Federal Power Properties

Without some operating property as a nucleus for competitive use, the proposed regional authorities would be mere planning groups until funds were provided and construction work done to back their plans. But the scattered projects already completed and under way would provide a considerable beginning.

It is difficult to estimate the capacity of Federal projects, because, for most of them, several "official" figures are extant. The non-partisan Brookings Insti-

tution has made the following estimate covering the program since 1933:

The government has undertaken water-power projects, which, according to present plans, will have an initial installed capacity of 1,820,000 horsepower (including Boulder Dam), 11½ per cent of the total non-Federal power installed on Jan. 1, 1936, and an ultimate capacity of 6,770,000 horsepower, 43½ per cent of

privately financed Colorado River of Texas project and the small Kaballo on the Rio Grande. Fort Peck is in the Missouri Basin. The Loup project is in Nebraska. This is non-Federal, but it would be expected that public projects, including municipals, would be favored under the Federal plan and could pool in with government developments. On the northern

beyond transmission distance, which will be difficult to serve with public power under the program as it now stands. It is true that the stimulus which PWA seeks to give to municipal plants may close some of these gaps. But 94 per cent of the electricity in this country is produced by private firms, so the municipal program will have to go far before it makes much difference except locally.

Lack of Public Steam Power

Injunctions have prevented PWA from adding significantly to municipal power and lack of funds has prevented acceptance of many of the 1,000 applications now pending. Although, on the injunctions, most of the higher court decisions have been favorable to the government, the costs of construction have advanced meanwhile and PWA terms are less liberal. So the prospects for municipal work are not so good as earlier in the depression. Propaganda ammunition to further it will be forthcoming from the proposed Federal Trade Commission probe of efforts to influence public opinion for municipal ownership, although the Norris resolution, as it passed the Senate, carries Senator King's amendments to investigate efforts in the other direction.

The importance of municipal systems as an adjunct to Federal projects has been recognized in the unremitting efforts of TVA to push them in its area. As well as providing outlets for hydro-power, such systems can provide steam standby facilities necessary for the economical operations of a power grid. That coal interests have been grumbling about prospective loss of markets due to the

the total non-Federal power installed on Jan. 1, 1936.

Theoretical limits of development on the rivers involved are much higher. Some projects exist in most areas of the country. In the West, the Bureau of Reclamation had twenty-four projects prior to 1933. New projects in the Northwest include Bonneville, Grand Coulee, Casper-Alcova and Yakima-Roza; in California, Central Valley; and Boulder and Parker on the Colorado.

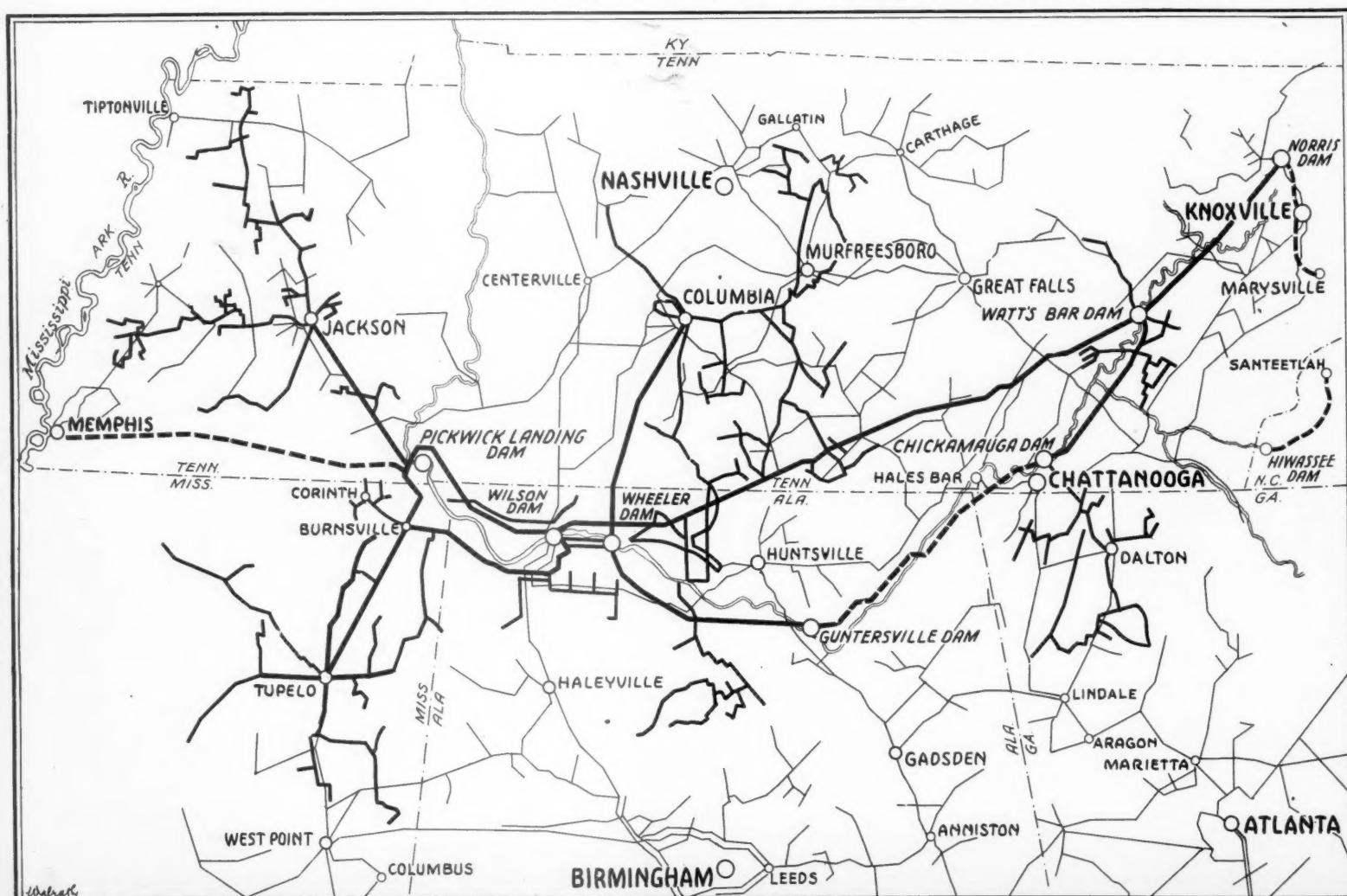
In the Texas Southwest are the fed-

frontier, the St. Lawrence development is not dead but sleeping. All these, with TVA, represent several spheres of potential activity. While the coverage of the country is spotty, there is something going on or agitated in each major geographical region; enough to form a basis for active work by each of several of the prospective authorities. Cost of the program now planned would be upward of \$1,500,000,000.

Concentration of the program thus far on a few power streams leaves gaps, be-

TVA vs. the Electric Light and Power Industry in the Tennessee Valley

The heavy lines show the transmission lines of the Tennessee Valley Authority, completed and under construction. The light lines show the existing principal transmission lines of the private companies, for the most part those of various subsidiaries of the Commonwealth & Southern Corporation.



competition of Federal hydro with steam, still the main prime mover in electric output, may advance the idea among New Dealers who want to help Mr. Lewis's coal miners.

As interpreted thus far, the constitutionality of Federal steam plants is doubtful. But the public ownership advocates are not asleep to the need for steam both for economical operation and to fill gaps that cannot be served by water power. Stanley High recently remarked that they are thinking about it. As long as pooling with private systems is frowned upon, municipal steam, plus Diesels for smaller plants, is being actively promoted. If this fails, it would not be surprising to see agitation for Federal steam. If Federal hydro plants are adjudged constitutional, steam for their economical operation would seem merely another step in liberal interpretation. Thus the encompassment of private ownership would be complete.

Multiple Purposes

It is no longer possible to discuss power without examining its new relationships to a host of other Federal undertakings. Here are some of the items that may be involved in multiple-purpose developments: power, navigation, flood control, reclamation by irrigation and drainage, pollution control, water supply, national defense, fertilizer production, land use and submarginal land retirement, subsistence farming, recreation, unemployment relief, and conservation of soil, forests, water, grass and wildlife, together with general uplift. Power plus anything.

These are desirable objectives. Multiple development, if sound, means that a system of projects, not feasible severally, is made possible through the economies of joint development; that the advancement of one phase shall not cause present or future injury to other phases. If unsound, it means that sick developments will be grafted upon healthy ones so that the whole system is unhealthy; that projects will go forward so far in advance of human need that interest on the investment will eat up their benefits.

The sound way is based upon experience, planning and engineering surveys. The unsound way is built upon sectional and political pressure, demagogic, propaganda and loose thinking. Public ownership advocates have advanced by this second route in spurious semblance to sound development. It has become part of their strategy because multiple purposes are a series of props to give an excuse for power. The legal fiction of other purposes has been necessary because a project for power alone would be unconstitutional in the opinion of Federal lawyers.

Power Plus Flood Control

Engrafting of power upon flood control is typical of this strategy. Last year's flood lessons resulted in the Flood Control Act of 1936, which recognized flood protection as a Federal function and enabled the government to work hand in hand with the States in a national plan, worked out through many years of study by the army engineers for feasible works with or without incidental power. But the power politicians do not want projects in which power is incidental, nor does there appear to be much enthusiasm for cooperation with the States.

After this year's floods had stirred public opinion so that action was imminent, the issue was delayed by asking for more reports with new project priorities. The budget estimate for flood control was held to \$30,000,000, while TVA got \$40,000,000 for its one river. Under the terms of a resolution now on

the House calendar the army is to revamp the plan further to load its flood projects with power, reclamation and soil and water conservation.

The backers of honest flood control are still fighting, but efforts are being made to manoeuvre them into a position where they will support power projects in order to get the flood protection which they want. How this subversion of the flood-control idea is ballyhooed may be seen in the extravagant claims of TVA's flood value. Were you aware that TVA dams saved Cairo from this year's floods? Statements like this are on a par with the hallucinations of George IV, who thought that he, rather than Wellington, was present at Waterloo and won the battle. TVA might have reduced the crest at Cairo's ramparts by as much as an inch. It is surprising

how long an inch can be made when measured by the TVA yardstick.

High Dams Are Costly

Whether or not TVA helped the flood situation, the real point is that a much less expensive development for flood control alone would have served the purpose as well or better. If power is added to flood control, there are two alternatives. Either a part of the empty-dam flood storage capacity must be sacrificed to full-dam storage for power. Or else the total storage must be increased to take care of both purposes. This means high dams, and TVA follows the high-dam philosophy. It is elementary that to double the height of a dam much more than doubles its cost.

For the TVA multiple-purpose plan, Federal figures show plainly that the

high dams have made some phases of the program cost too much. Here is a computation of the cost of flood control. Last year's appropriation hearings show a total estimated cost of \$467,000,000 for a system of high dams. Deducting \$135,000,000 charged for power leaves \$332,000,000 presumably for navigation and flood control, discounting the really nominal national defense value. A further deduction of \$75,000,000, estimated by the army as the cost of low-dam navigation leaves \$257,000,000 which may be assumed as the cost of flood control.

But the annual river damage due to floods on the Tennessee averages less than \$1,000,000, according to army reports, only a third of 1 per cent of the flood-control investment. On this basis

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They've taken the work from woman's workshop



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Utility Net Income Higher, But Unfavorable Factors Dominate Nearby Outlook

By D. W. ELLSWORTH

OUR annual composite income account of electric light and power operating companies (Table I) confirms in a general way the expectations formulated in our preliminary tabulation which appeared at Page 111 of The Annalist of Jan. 22, although the present (93 per cent complete) tabulation shows that net income in 1936 was 10.3 per cent higher than in 1935, whereas the preliminary estimate placed the increase at 12.6 per cent. As was the case in 1935, this increase was achieved only by a heavy refunding program, which reduced fixed charges 3.5 per cent and turned an increase in total income of only 4.3 per cent into an increase of 10.3 per cent in net income.

The largest increase in the entire table is shown to have been in taxes, which were 10.9 per cent higher than in 1935, and amounted to 13.1 per cent of total revenues as compared with 12.5 per cent in 1935. Increased operating revenues were slightly more than offset by an increase of 8.6 per cent in "total revenue deductions."

TABLE II. TOTAL REVENUES
(Thousands of Dollars)

	1937.	1936.	1935.
January	194,564	179,140	170,101
February	183,586	171,220	162,470
March	177,579	165,659	155,884
April	165,703	156,069	147,437
May	164,015	153,203	141,437
June	164,007	151,437	141,437
July	167,672	151,215	141,437
August	169,636	156,038	141,437
September	175,597	159,073	141,437
October	179,972	162,789	141,437
November	183,066	169,339	141,437
December	187,094	173,459	141,437

Source: Edison Electric Institute.

In the first quarter this year, as shown by the opposite page chart, the trend of net income continued upward, after seasonal adjustments. Although this chart is necessarily based on figures for the limited number of companies that have consistently reported net income quarterly for a number of years, the results for the first quarter, amounting to an increase of 16 per cent for eleven companies as compared with the first quarter of 1936, are substantially confirmed by the National City Bank's compilation covering ninety-four companies, which shows an increase of 10.2 per cent. A few large systems, however, reported lower net income in the twelve months ended March 31, 1937.

It is unusually difficult to analyze the probable trend of earnings this year because of the absence since March of the customary statistics on sales and gross revenue as compiled by the Edison Electric Institute. The tardiness of these

TABLE III. THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY
(Millions of Kilowatt Hours)

	Generated By Fuel.	By Water.	Total
1935.			
January	4,701	3,024	7,725
February	4,234	2,736	6,969
March	4,129	3,290	7,420
April	3,945	3,347	7,292
May	4,001	3,488	7,488
June	4,174	3,118	7,292
July	4,501	3,185	7,697
August	4,981	2,981	7,972
September	4,936	2,719	7,654
October	5,681	2,585	8,276
November	5,163	2,951	8,115
December	5,507	2,952	8,458
Total	55,953	36,376	92,328
1936.			
January	5,516	3,104	8,620
February	5,345	2,643	7,988
March	5,843	3,447	9,290
April	4,616	3,641	8,257
May	4,902	3,551	8,453
June	5,573	2,932	8,506
July	6,220	2,819	9,039
August	6,413	2,753	9,166
September	6,425	2,743	9,168
October	6,477	3,084	9,561
November	6,132	3,002	9,134
December	6,545	3,246	9,791
Total	69,007	36,965	105,973
1937.			
January	6,009	3,605	9,614
February	5,491	3,261	8,752
March	6,040	3,624	9,664

The difference between total current generated as shown in this table and total current distributed as shown in Table IV consists of current lost in transmission, etc.

Source: Edison Electric Institute.

figures is a result of the activity of the Federal Power Commission in prescribing uniform accounting. If the power commission is as successful as the Interstate Commerce Commission was in getting uniform reports from the railroads, the lot of the statistician will in the end be a happier one; but in the meantime the public utility accounting departments are evidently so swamped with work incident to the change in accounting procedures that some of them have been unable to report the routine statistics for as far back as last March. This observation also applies to some extent to the financial reports usually supplied by the utilities to the newspapers, some of which are now being made public so long after the event as to impair greatly their usefulness. The public authorities entrusted with the matter of uniform utility accounting could perhaps perform no more useful public service at the moment than to take steps to bring about more prompt publication of these operating and financial data.

The situation today, because of this delay, is that all we know statistically of recent developments is that electric power production, on a seasonally adjusted basis, reached a new high record in April after a slight decline in March, but showed little further change in May. The chart on the next page shows total operating revenues and kilowatt-hour sales by major classifications up to March, the latest month for which these figures are available. Table IV gives complete details on the distribution of electricity, as reported by the Edison Electric Institute.

Table V reflects a continued downward trend in residential rates and a continued expansion in consumption per customer. As shown by the chart at the bottom of this page, the average rate for industrial power has shown parallel decline in the last three years, a decrease which was obscured as the depression deepened by the decline in the use of power which got industrial consumers down into the higher-rate brackets. Although residential rates are commonly cited in dis-

cussions of public utility rates, the fact is that all classes of rates continue to be whittled away under the pressure of State public utility commissions or under the threat of Federal and non-Federal competition. This decline in average rates, coupled with the increasing industrialization of the home by electric appliances, will undoubtedly tend to make the gross revenues of the power companies unusually vulnerable in the next depression. In the past the utilities have been considered comparatively depression-proof because of the stable demand for power for residential lighting. In the future, however, residential consumers may well find it convenient or necessary to economize by curtailing their use of appliances.

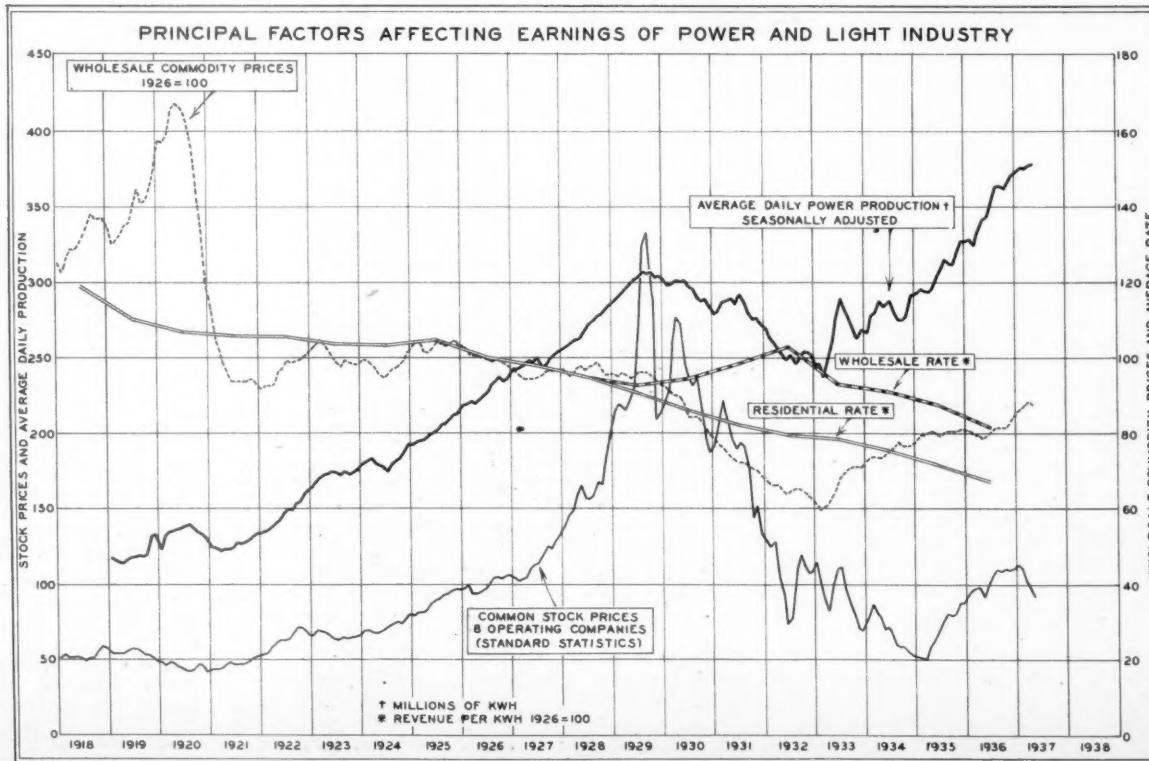
As shown by Table VI, there has been a steady but slightly more rapid increase, in recent months, in the number of customers. This is one of the few favorable by-products of the public ownership campaign against the privately owned utilities, which has accomplished much free advertising of the advantages of electricity.

The financial situation of the power and light industry nevertheless continues to be that on account of rate reductions total revenues have increased slowly in spite of a rapid increase in total demand;

Table I. Composite Income Account of Electric Light and Power (Operating) Companies

	1936.*		1935.		1934.		1933.	
	Thousands of Dollars.	% Oper. Revenues.						
Electric revenues	2,013,361	85.0	1,872,894	84.7	1,794,437	84.6	1,727,700	85.0
Other revenues	354,511	15.0	337,951	15.3	326,438	15.4	305,760	15.0
Total operating revenues	2,367,872	100.0	2,210,845	100.0	2,120,875	100.0	2,033,460	100.0
Operation and maintenance	1,086,441	45.0	983,802	44.5	941,205	44.4	874,100	43.0
Taxes	306,067	12.9	275,985	12.5	264,801	12.5	240,230	11.8
Retirements (depreciation)	230,570	9.7	216,498	9.8	207,076	9.8	206,930	9.4
Total revenue deductions	1,603,078	67.6	1,476,285	66.8	1,413,082	66.7	1,321,260	64.2
Operating income	765,412	32.3	734,560	33.2	707,793	33.3	728,200	35.8
Non-operating income	30,588	1.3	29,131	1.3	29,183	1.4	29,260	1.4
Total income	796,000	33.6	763,691	34.5	736,976	34.7	757,460	37.2
Interest, amortization and other deductions	333,915	14.1	346,026	15.7	352,561	16.6	352,180	17.3
Net income	462,085	19.5	417,665	18.8	384,415	18.1	405,280	19.9
Preferred dividends	113,147	4.8	113,945	5.2	114,713	5.4	118,500	5.8
Available for common	348,938	14.7	303,720	13.6	269,702	12.7	286,780	14.1

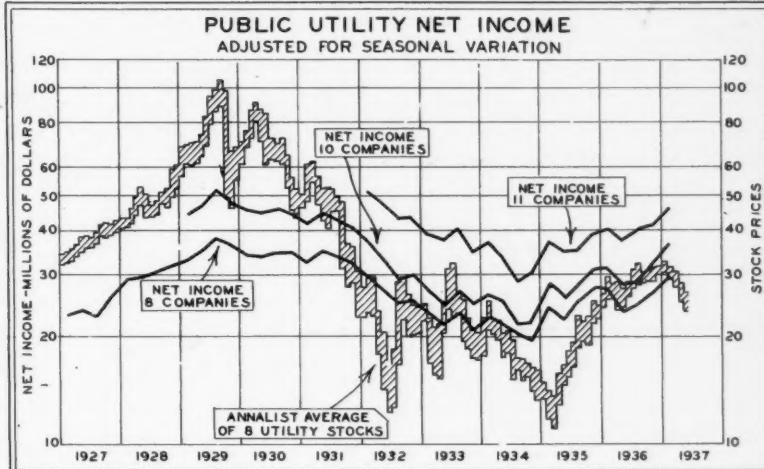
*Obtained by combining the reports for all the operating companies shown in the semi-weekly issues of Moody's Manual of Public Utilities up to May 20, 1937, comprising about 93% of the total, and estimating for 100% of the industry to obtain figures comparable with those for 1935, 1934 and 1933, as previously reported.



that this moderate increase in total revenues has continued to be slightly more than offset by increased operating expenses; and that the only thing that has saved the day for the stockholders (at the expense of the bondholders) has been the refunding of long-term bonds into issues carrying lower coupon rates.

The peak of the refunding movement came in December, 1936, when new utility refunding issues reached a total of \$359,424,000, as shown by Table VII, bringing the total for the year to \$2,001,660,000, as against \$1,200,201,000 in 1935. After the first of the year the outlook for refunding took a turn for the worse

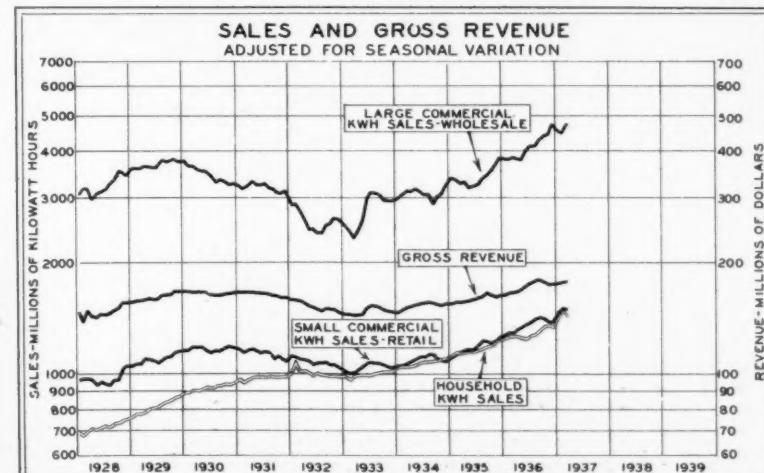
against the property of holders of indebtedness. This seems to be one of the underlying concepts of the New Deal, as seen in the support the New Deal has given by means of currency debasement, for example, to owners of equities in stocks and commodities at the risk of injuring owners of secured obligations, and as seen in other measures such as the support of owners of equities in homes and farms also at the risk of injuring the holders of mortgages on real property. If as commonly asserted the general welfare is served by such measures there can presumably be no complaint under the present march toward



with the sharp decline which set in in the market for high-grade bonds in January. Several companies had already made extensive and elaborate plans, involving the expense of registration, &c., with the SEC, and went ahead in February and March, so that utility refunding issues were fairly heavy in the first quarter. The climax was reached with the offering on March 1 of a single bond issue of \$130,000,000 by the Philadelphia Electric Company. Since then there have been no additional large offerings, although some further refunding remains to be done as soon as the market becomes more settled. In spite of the January-March rise in bond yields, the long-term interest rate is still low enough to make some further refunding advantageous from the standpoint of the stockholders

socialism. In the case of the utility refunding program, however, the case is somewhat different because all it accomplishes is a temporary respite for the stockholders. In the long run it merely sets up a new target of net income for the public regulatory authorities to shoot at.

In many respects the economic position of the privately owned utilities is similar to that of the war and immediate post-war periods. Then, as now, the companies were faced with closely regulated rates and rapidly rising material and labor costs. The result was that public utility stocks failed to participate in the stock market booms of the 1916-20 period, as shown in part by the chart at the bottom of the preceding page. Examination of the annual price



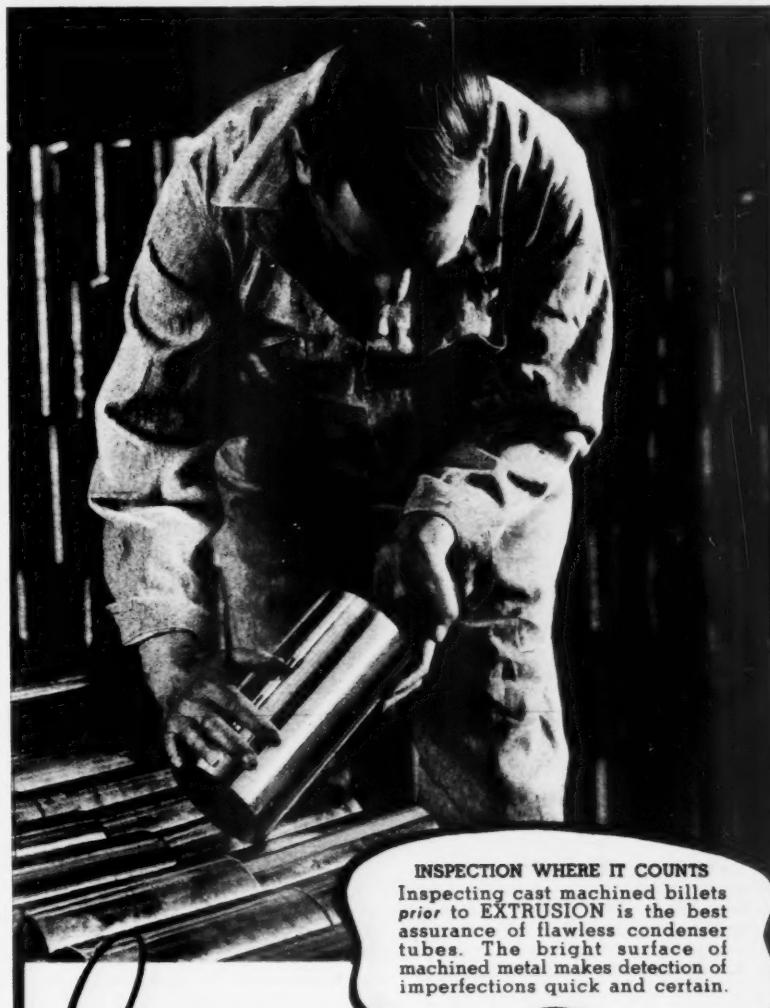
of companies which still have high-coupon callable bonds outstanding. Nevertheless the savings that can be made in interest charges from now on are certain to be considerably smaller than those achieved in 1935 and 1936.

Though perhaps not immediately germane to this discussion, it seems worth while to point out that some observers question the wisdom of the entire refunding program. The philosophy back of it seems to rest on the doubtful if modern conception of the sacrosanct nature of the property of holders of equities as

ranges of individual power and light companies (Table VIII) shows how, at the end of the period of war-inflation of commodity prices and wage rates, the prices of utility stocks, even in 1920 when there was a boom on the Stock Exchange, were generally lower than before the war.

In view of the fact that the power and light industry faces a similar situation today, it is of particular interest to follow the course of events from 1918 on-

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REA Program Spurs Business, Increases Employment And Benefits the Farmer

THE rural electrification program, which in the last two years has become a major and, apparently, continuing force in the United States, has manifold and sometimes surprising ramifications throughout the whole commercial and industrial structure. Expenditures for the construction of lines are themselves great enough to have a marked effect on the commercial movements of copper, steel, glass and timber, to mention just a few commodities. An even greater influence derives from the installation of appliances and equipment to utilize the electric service which is newly becoming available in so many rural areas.

Big Business

Rural electrification is big business. Since the Federal Rural Electrification Administration was established two years ago—a time when new line extensions had failed to keep pace with the increasing number of farms, so that the number of unelectrified farms was actually increasing—the construction of rural lines has reached the highest level ever recorded.

There are about 6,800,000 farms in this country. Even with the greatly accelerated construction of lines to serve them during the last two years, only about 1,000,000 have so far received service from electric central stations. In some States, notably on the West Coast and in New Hampshire, about half the farms are served, but in the South and throughout the Middle West the ratio of electrification of farms varies from 5 to 10 per cent. To take electric service to all the farms that can be served economically will require a great many thousands of miles of wire and a great many thousands of poles. It will also provide a market for great numbers of refrigerators, feed grinders, ranges and other appliances, as well as light bulbs. The advent of electricity usually means running water on the farm, and this, in turn, means pumps, plumbing and bathtubs. On lines so far approved by REA, there will be nearly 200,000 wiring jobs for local electricians, about 3,000,000 light bulbs in rural homes. Perhaps the time when all our farms will be served is still generations away, but certainly the next decade will see a major dent in the number of "dark" farms.

Manufacturers Benefit

F. A. Merrick, president of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, estimates that rural electrification in the next ten years will mean at least one billion dollars worth of business. George Rietz, in charge of the rural electrification section of the General Electric Company, believes that at least a half-billion dollars' worth will go to electrical equipment manufacturers alone. One large concern manufacturing wiring equipment reports that the program thus far has increased its production and sales for 1936 by 25 per cent.

For many years electrical construction has been a heavy user of nonferrous metals. Rural electric lines have become an increasingly appreciable factor in new electric construction. Consequently, the metal industries are watching rural electrification closely. Conservative estimates place the REA-financed ten-year metal order at \$136,000,000.

Shortages, largely due to intensified activity in rural line construction both REA financed and utility financed, are becoming noticeable in several types of line materials. Delays in deliveries are

especially frequent in transformers and aluminum conductors; some projects are reported held up because of difficulty in purchasing poles. Shortages of processed materials persist in spite of three-shift operation by many manufacturers. The use of all these many types and large quantities of materials, both in line construction and in farmstead equipment and modernizations, can be translated readily into raw material production at one end of the channels of trade and added shipping for the carriers at the other.

Employment Stimulated

Another view of rural electrification is that relating to employment. Slightly more than twenty-nine cents of every dollar for power line construction pays direct local wages. There are jobs for unskilled workers, such as wielders of axes and shovels; there are also openings for highly skilled linesmen, surveyors, and construction engineers. Among the other shortages becoming apparent is a lack of trained personnel for managing the lines when they go into operation. This is being corrected by specialized training of picked men and women.

Some construction crews now in the field include over 150 men, mainly recruited from local unemployed lists. The large crews are split into units so that real standardization is possible. In fact, standardization has progressed to such an extent that present-day rural line construction is taking on some of the aspects of an assembly line reversed. Specialized workers move along the line instead of the line coming to the worker. The result is lower unit cost.

A rural high line is made up of units, each consisting of the pole and its line hardware. The line is laid out and the appropriate pole and assembly charted for each pole location. Costs are reduced in part by purchasing materials for an entire project at one time. In quick succession, from the surveyors to inspectors of the completed line, specialized crews move on, leaving mile after mile of poles set and wires strung in their wake—five miles a day for each crew under good conditions.

For a moment, however, let us interrupt our story to look at the subject of rural electrification in general. One of private industry's proudest monuments is the development of the electric power industry during the past fifty-five years. From a tiny generating plant, designed by Thomas Edison, on Pearl Street in New York City, the electrical generating industry has grown to a business capitalized at some \$13,000,000,000. Its annual gross income is roughly \$2,000,000,000.

An Undeveloped Market

Despite this large volume of business, however, one great market has been left largely undeveloped. In contrast to the extensive promotional campaigns and extensive research devoted to electrifying industrial techniques and urban living, the rural market has been strangely neglected. This, in spite of the fact that the average rural home and farm can use far more electricity than can the average city home.

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Rural Electrification Administrator

Nor can this neglect be measured entirely in lessened income for the electrical industry. It has meant continued thralldom in needless back-breaking drudgery for farm men and women. It has meant lack of running water and lack of sanitary facilities. It has meant kerosene lamps, and obsolete wood or oil stoves. It has meant the continued use of inefficient, almost primitive mechanical aids and practices in agriculture.

Until the depression years what electrification was done in rural areas brought power only to the farms located near towns or the larger highways. The great, fertile farm lands of the Midwest, the South and the lower seaboard States were left almost entirely without electricity. Less than one farm in ten in these areas had electric power.

During the depression years electrification dropped off to almost nothing and in 1934 the entire program was at a virtual standstill. This was the situation that prompted, in large part, the establishment of REA.

New Incentives

There are many factors which share the credit for accelerating the extension of farm power in this country. Farm incomes are up. Utility companies are finding it easier to attract capital for new rural lines. The farmers themselves are coming to realize that electricity can be applied in their farming to cut down expenses and to increase income. The results of patient years of research and experimentation by the agricultural engineering specialists are coming to be known. And finally, the Federal Government has thrown its resources into a rural electrification program which has been vigorously prosecuted, and which has caught on perhaps beyond the expectations of its creators.

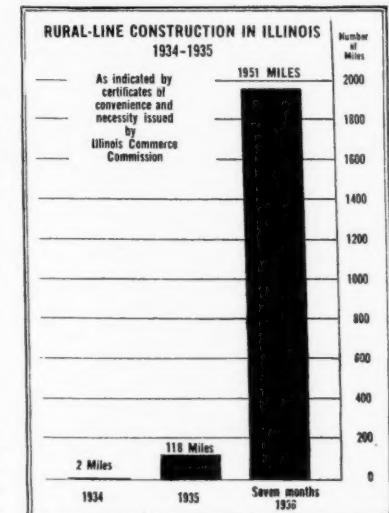
This program had two principal effects: Indirect, by encouraging the extension of power lines by private utilities under terms and conditions to bring electricity to the farmer at a price he can afford; and direct, by lending funds for the construction of rural power lines and for purchase of the equipment necessary to put electricity to work on the farm.

Costs Reduced

One of the first results of the Federal program and the accelerated pace of private utility construction has been the very general adoption of simplified rural line specifications. These specifications call for longer spans, the elimination of cross-arms in most cases and the use of private rights-of-way to avoid the expensive guying necessary to follow winding roads.

The general adoption of these specifications has reduced the cost of much of the rural line construction from a range of \$1,500 to \$2,000 a mile to less than \$1,000 a mile. This, of course, permits the utility companies to go into territory much thinner than was possible with more expensive lines. In New York State, for example, line-extension requirements were so liberalized that the utility companies have added, during the past two years, about a third to the number of farms they serve. The ac-

companying chart shows an even greater increase in Illinois. In Michigan the utility companies added more farms to their lines in the past two-year period than in any other four-year period. The Arkansas Power and Light Company has undertaken an extensive rural electrification program under specifications drawn under the personal supervision of the president, Harvey Couch, to permit construction at around \$600 a mile. For labor Mr. Couch uses the Arkansas farmers, the customers of the new lines. These farmers earn enough working on the lines to wire their homes—and, in some cases, their churches and schoolhouses, too.



The direct activities of the Federal Government in financing lines are also bearing fruit. REA lends the entire cost of building lines. It gives preference to non-profit and limited-profit agencies, although it will lend money to private utilities to fill in the gaps in territories already partly served. This money is lent at the same rate of interest as is paid by the government on its long-term bonds. This fiscal year the rate is 2.77 per cent. The loans are to be liquidated over a twenty-year period. Most of the REA borrowers, of which there are about 320 at present, are cooperatives, newly formed specifically for electrification. They receive help from REA in their development, they are encouraged to employ competent engineering and legal services, qualified managers are being appointed to see that the lines are kept in continuous service and that a pay load is developed.

Most of these new cooperative lines are energized by power purchased at wholesale from existing private utility companies. Municipal plants sell wholesale power for practically all the rest. In a very few instances, however, it has been found necessary to advance Federal funds for building generating plants to provide energy. These plants are built only where no power source is available or where extended negotiations have failed to result in a satisfactory contract for energy. In most cases of this sort the wholesale rate quoted has been so high as to render the project unfeasible; in a few instances the terms and conditions of the proffered contract have precluded acceptance.

Progress

REA was established as an emergency agency on May 11, 1935. On July 1, 1936, it became a semi-permanent branch of the government with a ten-year program outlined for it in the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, sponsored by Senator

Norris and Representative Reburn. As a temporary agency, REA was permitted to lend about \$15,000,000 of emergency relief funds. The Rural Electrification Act of 1936 specified that REA might lend \$50,000,000 of RFC funds during the current (1936-37) fiscal year, and that Congress may appropriate up to \$40,000,000 for loans during each of the nine succeeding years. The law specified that half the loan funds available each year must be allocated among the States in proportion to the number of unelectrified farms.

By the time REA celebrated its second birthday, May 11, 1937, practically all the funds for the current fiscal year had been allotted, and nearly \$35,000,000 worth of lines were in construction. The Federal program has caught up to and passed the private utility program in rural line construction.

The lines for which allotments have been made will bring electricity for the first time to more than 200,000 rural customers. These projects are scattered over the country in forty-one States. The accompanying table shows the totals by States:

REA ALLOTMENTS

Rural Electrification Act of 1936.

	Emergency Relief Act of 1935.	Rural Electrification Act of 1936.
Alabama	565,000	5799,400
Arizona		145,000
Arkansas		310,000
California		1,200,000
Colorado	140,000	250,000
Delaware		405,000
Florida	164,500	48,500
Georgia	773,200	1,621,000
Idaho	89,750	714,000
Illinois	141,500	1,652,000
Indiana	1,426,926	3,218,000
Iowa	665,117	3,254,000
Kansas		649,651
Kentucky	261,700	315,000
Louisiana		1,010,000
Maine		60,000
Maryland		165,000
Massachusetts		255,000
Michigan		2,845,000
Minnesota		3,153,329
Mississippi		81,000
Missouri		1,711,000
Montana	155,000	560,600
Nebraska	1,832,000	2,479,750
New Jersey		245,000
New Mexico	645,250	571,000
North Carolina		500,000
North Dakota	2,549,200	3,102,000
Ohio	130,000	1,716,000
Oklahoma		173,000
Oregon		400,000
Pennsylvania	648,328	1,550,000
South Carolina		77,000
South Dakota		105,000
Tennessee	338,258	912,000
Texas	497,500	2,381,000
Virginia	577,800	1,167,000
Washington	13,000	747,000
West Virginia		172,000
Wisconsin	1,539,600	2,901,000
Wyoming		454,000

Since REA is not a regulatory body, it does not fix rates to be charged for electricity. This is a matter for the several States. However, the rate charged consumers is as much a factor in determining the self-liquidating character of a project as the cost of construction. For a project to be economically sound, the rate must be sufficiently high to cover the debt service and the cost of operation. On the other hand, it must be sufficiently low to promote enough use of energy to produce the required revenue. This does not take into consideration another very real factor, that low rates lead almost inevitably to higher use, and the main object of the Federal program is to have electricity used for every socially desirable purpose.

Recent Books

CHINESE-AMERICAN TRADE—ANNUAL AND DIRECTORY

This is the first edition of the first handbook on Chinese-American trade published in the United States. The product of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of New York, Inc., it contains chapters on all the aspects of Chinese-American trade. A history of Chinese-American relations is included, as are surveys of Chinese economic and other conditions and developments, American

trade prospects in China, and the situation of Chinese in America and other foreign countries. The Chinese import tariff of 1934 is given in detail, as well as the complete text of our own China Trade Act, as amended in 1925. A comprehensive directory of importers and exporters both in China and the United States is a valuable section. The volume includes various statistics of Chinese trade and economic conditions. (Chinese Chamber of Commerce of New York, Inc., 154 Canal Street, New York; \$5, either in English or bilingual.)

MR. KEYNES AND THE LABOR MOVEMENT

By A. L. Rowse

This is a discussion of Mr. Keynes's latest work, *The General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money*. The author regards it of the highest importance

to the labor movement. As he states in his preface: "It is my contention, as it is my belief, that there is little or no divergence between what is implied by Labor policy and by Mr. Keynes; perhaps it is not too much to say that on this point Mr. Keynes and I are in agreement. I offer my pamphlet *** as a contribution toward clarifying and building up an agreement between various sections of opinion of the Left, on a wide front, in this country [England]: a body which, if an understanding had been reached before, might have given this country progressive government for the past ten years and to Europe an effective and progressive lead."

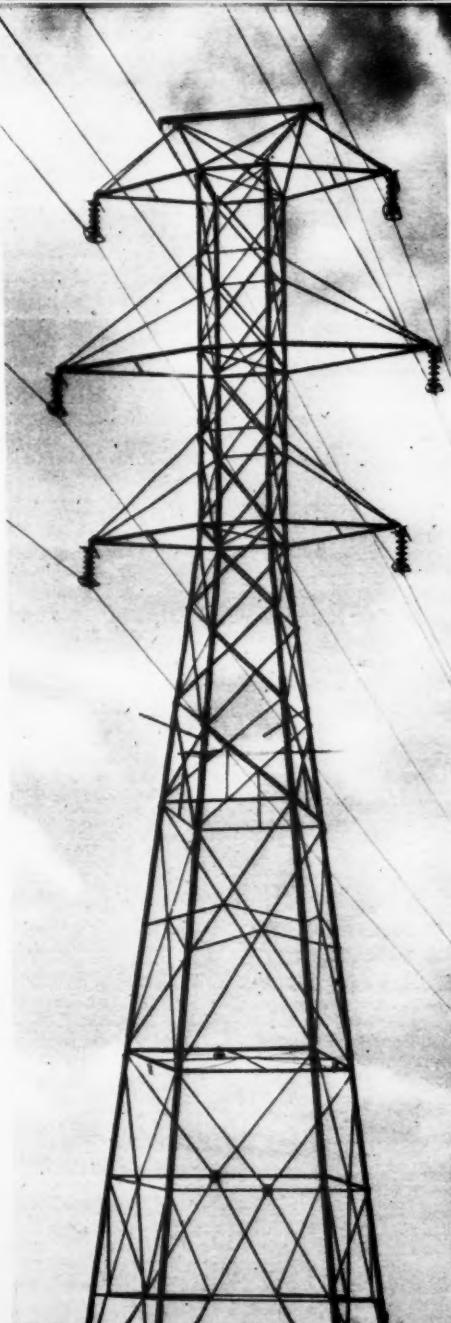
Mr. Rowse must look with envious eyes to America, where Mr. Keynes's principles have been adopted so thoroughly, with what temporary advantage

to the labor movement, as any one can see. (Macmillan, \$1.40.)

DU PROBLEME DE LA BALANCE DES COMPTES

By Eric Barbev

This volume discusses the theoretical background of international trade and the balance of payments. This is followed by a study of recent problems and difficulties in this field, such as the German transfer problem and the United States' contradictory position on international account. Other sections are devoted to the general question of economic equilibrium and of the statistical difficulties in the study of the problem. The text is in French. (Librairie de Droit F. Roth & Cie., Lausanne, Switzerland, 6 Swiss Francs.)



A NEW VOLUME PEAK IN ELECTRIC SALES

SIGNIFICANT of increasing usefulness to the territory it serves is the expanding electric sales volume of Columbia System operating companies.

The annual report, recently released by this System, shows that sales of electricity during 1936 exceeded with a wide margin those of any previous calendar year. In kilowatt hours 1,250,982,187 were sold, as compared to 1,081,148,147 for 1935. Meanwhile electric customers increased from 328,482 to 341,791.

Many factors have contributed to this growth. Commercial, industrial and domestic consumers are adopting higher standards of lighting. Appliances are being used more extensively to save time and labor. Factories, locating in the smaller communities, tend to increase local employment, resulting in greater demand for electric service.

In each of these developments Columbia System participation is active and constructive. By adhering to traditionally high ideals of public service, its subsidiaries keep pace with our national progress.



COLUMBIA GAS & ELECTRIC
CORPORATION

Price-Earnings Ratios Reflect Fears of Investors Over Utility Prospects

By EMERSON WIRT AXE

THE outlook for utility common stocks is governed by seven factors of major importance. These are: (1) operating expenses; (2) rates for service; (3) taxation; (4) government competition; (5) long-term growth; (6) future capital requirements; (7) the level of per-share earnings and prices of utility common stocks. While all of these factors are more or less interrelated, each exerts its own peculiar influence upon the situation as a whole.

Operating Costs

Because the price received for services rendered is regulated by law, while expenses are not, the position of the industry is vulnerable during periods of rising prices. Between 1927-32, as shown by Table I, covering all light and power companies, revenues increased 10.3 per cent; but this was accompanied by a disproportionately smaller increase in operating costs of only 6.1 per cent. As a result, operating income increased 14.5 per cent.

During this period output of electrical energy increased from 76.36 to 79.69 billion kilowatt hours, a gain of 4.37 per cent. The period 1932-35 (1935 is the last year for which complete figures are available) was, of course, a period of rising prices. During this period revenues increased 5.26 per cent, while operating expenses rose sharply, the increase amounting to 13.0 per cent. The gain in revenues was thus substantially smaller than the gain in the volume of energy sold (79.69 to 109 billion kilowatts, an increase of 33.7 per cent). Incidentally, production of electrical energy during 1936 was the largest ever reported.

The reason for this situation becomes obvious when certain characteristics of the industry are understood. Unlike commodities, electrical energy cannot be produced in periods of low activity and stored until required and then disposed of in periods of abnormally heavy demand. Large investment in plant is essential, and this can be used to maximum advantage for only brief periods of the year. It is not possible to stimulate consumption by taking advantage of large capacity to produce the energy at low unit cost, because demand, though growing rapidly, is not constant and at times is below the level necessary to operate existing generating capacity with economy. As a result capital outlays are constantly necessary to meet the increasing demand, and these, of course, involve an increase in such operating costs as maintenance, depreciation and the cost of the new capital needed to finance the increased capacity. If the increase in revenues were in proportion to the increase in sales of electrical energy, or fell behind only slightly, no problem would be presented. As we have seen, however, revenues by no means keep pace with the expansion in the amount of energy sold, because of the constant downward tendency of rates.

TABLE II. AVERAGE RECEIPTS PER KILOWATT-HOUR (Cents)

	1927	1932	1936
1927	6.80	5.57	
1928	6.60	5.49	
1929	6.30	5.30	
1930	6.00	4.99	
1931	5.78	4.69	

Table II gives a picture of the rate situation from 1927 to 1936. The decrease in average receipts per kilowatt hour over this period was 2.11 cents, or 31 per cent.

Some of the decrease in rates was of course offset by greater economy in pro-

duction. It is also true that the decline in rates has stimulated sales of power. But in recent years the net result has been to produce an appreciable narrowing in profit margins. Had the utilities received the same average rate of revenue per kilowatt-hour in 1936 as they did in 1932, gross revenues would have been approximately 422 million dollars greater.

It is important to bear in mind that a substantial advance in the general

revenue during 1927-35 was 5.28 cents. From 1902 until 1927 the increase in taxes per dollar of gross revenue was 4.81 cents. Thus, in the brief period of eight years, taxes per dollar of gross revenue reported by the public utilities increased to the extent of 110 per cent of the amount of the increase reflected by the industry over a quarter of a century.

The effect of government competition upon the utility industry has been the subject of much discussion over the past

of farms electrified. Over the period 1930-35 there was a slight decline in the amount of power sold to such users, although the number of farms electrified increased by 21.4 per cent. It is believed probable that with continual improvement in agricultural purchasing power and with an increase in the number of electrical devices adapted to farm use, rural consumption of electrical energy will increase more rapidly than it has over the past seven years.

TABLE IV. FARM ELECTRIFICATION

Year.	Farms.*	Per Kwh. Cent Sold	
		Farms Electrified.	Electric fied. (Millions).
1919	6,448,343	100,000	1.6
1924	6,371,640	204,780	3.2
1930	5,954,194	649,919	10.9
1931	6,071,167	698,796	11.5
1932	6,188,144	709,449	11.4
1933	6,305,119	713,558	11.3
1934	6,422,088	743,954	11.6
1935	6,462,175	788,795	12.0
1936	6,502,280	915,000	14.1

*Having at least one occupied dwelling.

Increasing use of electrical refrigeration is an outstanding example of the effect of improvement in electrical devices upon domestic power consumption. It is believed that the saturation point in the use of electrical refrigerators is yet far distant. The perfection of other electrical devices seems likely to exert a similar effect upon the domestic use of electric power.

Upward Trend of Demand Will Require New Plant

The strong upward long-term trend of electric power output will, of course, make it necessary for many utility companies to make additions to plant over the next ten years, unless we assume a much broader geographical expansion of government power projects. The cost of such additional equipment will, therefore, be an important item affecting the earnings of utility companies in the future. A rapid increase in construction costs would thus have an unfavorable effect upon utility profit margins, as would also a substantial rise in long-term interest rates.

The present low level of interest rates is thus a favorable factor in the outlook for the utility industry. If interest rates were to rise substantially, however, the effect upon the industry would be unfavorable. It is our belief that no rapid advance in long-term interest rates will occur over the next year, but it would, of course, be unwise to count on the present level continuing until the Forties.

Summarizing, the outlook for utility earnings is a question, on the one hand, of two sets of unfavorable influences (a probable further decline in the general level of rates and increases in certain cost items) and, on the other, of a very strong upward long-term trend in power consumption. Because of the political factors involved, it would seem unreasonable to suppose that utility earnings could increase to a relative level above that of 1929, or perhaps even equal it. On the other hand, the probability of continued rapid growth in the consumption of electric power should make it possible for the industry to withstand some further decreases in rates and advances in operating costs. Under favorable circumstances utility company earnings may expand moderately, but certainly much less rapidly than those in other better situated industries, while under unfavorable conditions a marked contraction could easily occur.

Price-Earnings Ratios Low

From the standpoint of the outlook for utility company common stocks we are concerned not only with the trend of

Table I. Electric Power and Light Company Earnings

	1932 (Thousands).	1927 (Thousands).	Increase (Thousands).	Increase (Per Cent).
Revenue	\$2,030,997	\$1,841,227	\$189,770	10.3
Expenses	1,122,974	1,048,653	63,321	6.1
Operating income	908,023	792,574	\$115,449	14.6
Interest, &c.	354,165	269,602	84,563	31.6
Balance—Net income	553,858	\$522,972	\$43,886	5.9

level of commodity prices would have an unfavorable effect upon utility earnings. Certain items in cost would be directly affected and the important item of the cost of new capital would be indirectly affected through the advance in the general level of interest rates that would probably accompany or follow a rapid rise in the general price level. It is unreasonable to suppose that a corresponding advance in utility rates would be possible. In fact, considerable time might elapse before the present downward trend of utility rates could be ended, and over this interval the companies would be caught between rising expenses and falling selling prices. In a period of substantial inflation securities of the utility companies, therefore, would not be a desirable form of property to hold.

Taxes

Another important item in operating expenses is taxes. In 1935, the latest year for which data are available covering the entire industry, taxes absorbed

several years. It is sometimes assumed that the idea of government competition originated with the present administration. Actually, however, the entrance of the government into the power industry dates back to the Hoover administration, which initiated the Boulder Dam project in Arizona. It cannot be assumed, therefore, that if a change in administration were to occur in 1940 or 1944, this policy would necessarily be abandoned. It must be kept in mind, moreover, that a high degree of government regulation is inevitable in an industry which is a natural monopoly, as this one is. Both because of this and the widespread domestic use of electric power, it would seem impossible, under any circumstances, for the industry to escape rather rigid government regulation. Whether this takes the form of direct competition or some other form, the effect seems certain to be an eventual further depressing of rates.

The most favorable factor in the outlook for utilities is the long-term upward trend of power consumption. Dur-

Table V. Price Earnings Ratios

OPERATING COMPANIES

	1929 High Price to 1929 Earnings.	1929 Adjusted Price to 1936 Earnings.	*Current Price to 1936 Earnings.
Consolidated Gas of Baltimore	23.3	11.0	15.7
Commonwealth Edison	32.5	8.5	16.2
Detroit Edison	34.5	10.1	13.5
Pacific Gas and Electric	28.1	8.4	11.6
Public Service of New Jersey	35.1	10.4	14.6

HOLDING COMPANIES

North American	38.7	8.0	14.4
Niagara Hudson Power	50.4	7.0	18.8
American Gas and Electric	36.9	7.6	14.7
Columbia Gas and Electric	44.9	4.8	22.6
Commonwealth and Southern	43.3	3.3	17.3
United Corporation	154.1	9.7	25.0
United Gas Improvement	40.8	8.8	11.8

*May 25, 1937.

14.08 cents of every dollar of revenue received by the public utility industry. In 1932 this item amounted to 11.65 cents and in 1927 it was 8.15 cents. Between 1922 and 1932, as shown by the

TABLE III. TAXES

Year.	Taxes (Millions).	Total Revenues (Millions).	Taxes Per Dollar (Cents).
1902	2.65	78.73	3.36
1912	13.11	279.05	4.70
1917	29.89	486.63	6.15
1922	73.12	986.68	7.42
1927	150.25	1,841.22	8.17
1932	241.00	2,068.00	11.65
1933	251.00	1,998.00	12.55
1934	280.00	2,085.00	13.41
1935	292.00	2,177.00	13.45

table given above, taxes almost doubled. The actual increase per dollar of gross

ing the depression electric power output receded only moderately and in the period since 1932 the expansion has been of spectacular proportions. Power output is now approximately 26 per cent above the 1929 high record, and it seems certain that within the next five years much higher figures will be reached.

It is believed likely that the rural use of electricity will expand greatly during the next decade. Table IV shows the progress of farm electrification since the close of the World War.

It is of interest to note that the amount of power consumed by farms did not increase in proportion to the number

earnings of utility companies but with the present ratio of market prices to earnings per share. Table V shows price-earnings ratios for five operating and seven holding companies.

The price-earnings ratios at which utility stocks sold at their 1929 highs were of course excessive. They were based in part upon the speculative excitement of the period and in part upon too optimistic estimates of the ability of the companies to translate the long-term upward trend in power output into a correspondingly strong upward trend in earnings. In the case of the holding companies an additional allowance was made for the leverage introduced by unbalanced capital structures. On the basis of present conditions it is unreasonable to expect that such a level of price-earnings ratios will be duplicated.

Ten Times 1929 Earnings

If we assume that the companies in Table V recover their 1929 level of per-share earnings, current prices of the stocks would, however, seem extremely low. As will be seen from the second column in this table, the stocks of utility operating companies are selling at an average of approximately ten times 1929 per-share earnings, while the stocks of holding companies are selling at much lower ratios. When one takes into account the fact that long-term interest rates are at an extremely low level, such price-earnings ratios would make utility stocks seem very attractive for investment purposes if there was any reasonable probability of the 1929 level of per-share earnings being equaled within the next several years. As we have seen from the above discussion, however, the balance of probabilities is rather against such a substantial recovery in utility earning power.

The last column in the above table shows the ratio of present prices to 1936 per-share earnings. On the basis of these figures it cannot be said that utility stocks are at an unreasonable level. If we could assume a moderate increase in earning power over the next several years, indeed, these price-earning ratios would make utility stocks fairly attractive for investment purposes. At the same time they can hardly be said to be at bargain-counter levels, particularly when it is recalled that a really substantial expansion in earning power is improbable, that a return to full prosperity levels of general business activity would have a far more pronounced effect upon the earnings of other types of companies, and that the unfavorable factors that have tended to depress or to restrict expansion in earnings over the past several years are still in operation. The purchase of any security, and particularly of any common stock, involves a degree of risk. It would seem that the possible gain that might be obtained in return for such risk is rather less in the utilities than in some other groups of common stocks. It should also be kept in mind that stocks whose earnings are normally relatively stable are likely to do better in a period of rapidly falling interest rates, and that there is little probability that a further fall in interest rates will occur over the next few years.

It should be observed that prices of utility stocks have made little progress over the past five years when a number of other groups advanced substantially. The general level of utility stock prices at the present time is below the low point of the first quarter of 1932 and is approximately the same as the average level of the last quarter of 1932 or the third quarter of 1933. The substantial improvement in the general

level of business activity of bond prices, and of many types of common stock prices, that has occurred during the past four or five years has had no net effect upon utility stocks. If we are entering a period in which the business situation will perhaps be less strongly favorable, in which the stimulating influence of a rapid advance in high-grade bond prices will be absent, and in which at least no marked decrease in the strength of the unfavorable factors in the utility situation is to be expected, it would seem that the prudent investor must make selections of utility stocks with even more than usual care.

THE TRADE CYCLE By R. F. Harrod

This is an explanation of the business cycle, with a suggested remedy for de-

pressions. The cycle would occur, according to this theory, even if every one had perfect foresight and behaved with perfect good sense. This is because the cycle is conceived to be necessarily connected with the process of capital accumulation. It is the interaction of two sets of motives for capital accumulation that gives rise to the cycle. One is the profit motive, the other provision for a rainy day (saving). This book will delight those who believe in the underconsumption (oversaving) theory of the business cycle. (Oxford University Press, 114 Fifth Avenue, New York, \$3.75.)

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DETERMINATION OF CONFUSION IN TRADE-MARK CONFLICT CASES By Neil H. Borden

A recommendation that courts accept the evidence of psychological tests to

help them determine whether consumers are confused by similar trade-marks in cases of trade-mark litigation is contained in this report. It describes in detail the tests made in connection with the recent case of John B. Stetson Company v. Stephen L. Stetson Company, Ltd., recounts the history of psychological work in this field, and appraises the value of such evidence in comparison with the evidence usually accepted by courts in trade-mark conflict cases. (Harvard Business School, Soldiers Field, Boston, \$1.)

Pamphlet

Rate of Return for Industrials in Comparison with a Utility, The — Excerpts from testimony of Ralph C. Epstein in Illinois Commerce Commission vs. Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

PLANNED (AND ACCOMPLISHED) Economy

PLANNED ECONOMY is nothing new... in the utility industry. Much used as is the "planning" expression today, as if something newly conceived, in this business it stands for years of *plans* that are today's *accomplishments*, translated into a publicly beneficial economy.

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and sanitary systems, but do have "big city" electric service at equally favorable rates.

...the planning and putting into execution of domestic rate principles out of which is evolved today's OBJECTIVE RATE structure, known as the "Commonwealth Plan"—and which has broken the so-called "vicious circle" of rates vs. consumption.

...the planning of rural electrification along sound lines that are overcoming technical and physical obstacles, and accomplishing one of the most far-reaching social objectives in the utility sphere.

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Our National Power Policy: Federal Regulation in Practice and in Prospect

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FEDERAL regulation of public utilities is neither recent nor revolutionary. To meet developments in the industry jurisdiction has been widened, and extended into new fields. Greater authority has been granted, and certain more stringent measures adopted, particularly in the restriction of holding companies. But regulation, as a whole, is based on principles long established and generally accepted.

For fifty years the Interstate Commerce Commission has exercised supervision over railroads, regulating rates as well as financing and service. For seventeen years the Federal Power Commission has administered the regulatory laws relating to power projects on public lands and navigable streams, and since 1935 the broader provisions of the Federal Power Act for the regulation of electric utility companies engaged in interstate commerce.

Our National Power Policy

Congress in the Federal Water Power Act of 1920, establishing this commission, set forth a national power policy which paved the way for subsequent development and extension, and furnished the basis for most of the subsequent legislation. The tremendous development of holding companies, the creation of vast "empires" of power came later, creating a condition which was met by the enactment of the Public Utility Act of 1935. The Tennessee Valley Authority has been created, Boulder Dam completed, Bonneville, Grand Coulee, Fort Peck and other great projects are now under construction—Federal enterprises having no previous parallel. But the conservation and efficient utilization of our water resources, the protection of the public interest in power sites and projects, the preference of States and municipalities in granting licenses for power developments, the prevention of inflated valuations, and sound and uniform methods of accounting and various other provisions, which are today characterized by some as radical and novel, were provided for in the Federal Water Power Act of 1920.

Congress not only limited the period for which licenses might be granted to fifty years, but provided that, when a license expires, the United States Government, upon not less than two years' notice, should have the right to take over, maintain and operate any such project upon payment of the net investment of the licensee, not to exceed the fair value of the property taken plus severance damages. Instead of operating such a project, the government may license it to a State or municipality or other applicant. Furthermore, the government may, at any time, take over any licensed project by condemnation proceedings.

"Net Investment" Defined

"Net investment," which the commission was directed to determine, was defined in the act as "the actual legitimate original cost," plus costs of additions and betterments, minus various items that have accumulated during the period of the license from earnings in excess of a fair return on such investment. For many years, in accordance with this law, the commission has determined the actual legitimate original cost of Federally licensed projects. The same principles are applied in the Uniform System of Accounts prescribed for public utilities and licensees subject to the pro-

visions of the Federal Power Act, which was developed in cooperation with the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, and is now being adopted by many State commissions for utilities within their jurisdiction.

In Section 7 of the original Federal Water Power Act the Congress actually provided for Federal development of power projects, in certain cases, as follows:

That whenever, in the judgment of the commission, the development of any project should be undertaken by the United States itself, the commission shall not approve any application for such project by any citizen, association, corporation, State, or municipality, but shall cause to be made such examinations, surveys, reports, plans, and estimates of the cost of the project as it may deem necessary, and shall submit its finding to Congress with such recommendations as it may deem appropriate concerning the construction of such project or completion of any project upon any government dam by the United States.

The President's Program

Power legislation and action during the present administration have followed the lines laid down by President Roosevelt in his Portland speech delivered in the Presidential campaign of 1932. In that memorable address he proclaimed the following program for the regulation and control of electric utilities to protect both consumers and investors:

1. Full publicity as to all capital issues of stocks, bonds and other securities, liabilities and indebtedness, capital investment; and frequent information as to gross and net earnings.

2. Publicity on stock ownership of stocks and bonds and other securities, including the stock and other interest of all officers and directors.

3. Publicity with respect to all inter-company contracts and services and interchange of power.

4. Regulation and control of holding companies by Federal Power Commission and the same publicity with regard to such holding companies as provided for the operating companies.

5. Cooperation of Federal Power Commission with public utilities commissions of the several States, obtaining information and data pertaining to the regulation and control of such public utilities.

6. Regulation and control of the issue of stocks and bonds and other securities on the principle of prudent investment only.

7. Abolition by law of the reproduction cost theory for rate-making and establishment of the actual money prudent-investment principle as the basis of rate-making.

8. Legislation making it a crime to publish or circulate false or deceptive matter relating to public utilities.

Cooperation with State commissions, provided for in the original water-power act, has been the practice of our commission from its inception. This was strengthened, in the Act of 1935, by provision for the appointment, when advisable, of joint boards composed of representatives of the Federal and State commissions, to consider any matter arising in the administration of the law in which a State is affected. State commissions are notified of applications filed for projects, security issues or any other matter coming before the commission in which they may be concerned, and their representatives may appear at any hearing in which their interests may be involved.

Our commission is given authority to confer with any State commission regarding the relationship between rate structures, costs, accounts, charges, practices, classifications, and regulations of public utilities, and to hold joint hearings where desired. Upon request from a State, we may make available to its commission any of our rate, valuation or other experts; and can make available for its use any reports, documents or studies that may aid in its regulatory duties. In the important task of dividing the country into regional districts for voluntary interconnection of generating and transmission facilities, the law provides that tentative maps shall be submitted to State commissions for their views and recommendations. These must be given due consideration, and opportunity for hearings afforded before such divisions are fixed and determined. These proposals were sent to each State commission last year as soon as the tentative map was adopted, and their criticisms and suggestions are being given every consideration in the performance of this important duty. Where desired, conferences will be held with State commissions before action is taken.

Early in the present fiscal year a comprehensive plan for closer cooperation between Federal and State regulatory commissions was developed, which was approved both by the Federal Power Commission and by the Committee on Cooperation with Federal Commissions set up by the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners. This sets forth in detail the methods of instituting joint proceedings and the procedure governing matters referred to joint conferences and boards and governing joint hearings.

Development of a Uniform Accounting System

Perhaps the most outstanding example of State and Federal cooperation has been in the development of the new uniform system of accounts for public utilities. For years the State associations' committees and accountants of the Federal commission worked together on this vital task. Tentative drafts were prepared and widely distributed for comments, suggestions and criticisms, not only to the commissions, but also to the electric utilities, whose representatives were given opportunity to present their views. After considering the various views submitted, the conference agreed upon the present system of accounts, which was prescribed by the Federal Power Commission for public utilities and licensees subject to the provisions of the Federal Power Act, and later was recommended by the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners for adoption by its member commissions, with suitable modifications for the utilities within their jurisdiction.

Many State commissions have adopted this new system; others permit its use pending perfection of the final form in which it will be prescribed. Nearly all that have taken action have adopted its general principles, if not all its details. More has thus been accomplished in a single year, I feel safe in saying, than has been done in nearly two decades toward this essential reform. State and

Federal commissioners alike feel that this will go a long way toward assuring what they have sought for so many years—practically nation-wide uniformity in the rules and regulations governing the accounts of electric utilities and the correction of many misleading and erroneous accounting practices. Accounting should be realistic.

Such a sweeping reform could hardly be put into effect without opposition. That was to be expected. Strenuous objection has been made by certain companies, mainly to the provision for statement of actual cost of property constructed or acquired. But the protestants have been few when compared with the total number of companies concerned. In years to come I believe that utility executives themselves, as well as the various commissions, will regard the adoption of this system as of advantage to all concerned in putting to an end the maze of diverse bookkeeping and reporting which has baffled commissions and investors alike, and substituting therefor a comprehensive, uniform system of accounts which will make available to regulatory bodies, investors and the interested public vital information that heretofore has not been readily obtainable, or not attainable at all.

"Reproduction Cost New" a Rubber Valuation Yardstick

Regulation, State and national, has faced and still faces the lack of a logical, fair and readily applied basis for determining rates. "Reproduction cost new," the element enforced by courts as the predominant cost of determining fair value, has proved variable and unreliable. Here is a real rubber "yardstick," if any yardstick at all. When costs of construction, materials and labor were rising by leaps and bounds utilities seized upon this eagerly. Watching the rising cost thermometer they could increase book values as the mercury rose, and pour the water into stocks and bonds. After the crash came following the panic of 1929, when costs went down with a bang, were rate bases adjusted to meet the immense decrease in reproduction cost new? Not so far as anyone could observe. Did companies rush their lawyers to commissions and courts, petitioning for a reduction in rate bases comparable with reductions in construction costs? Not one that I ever heard of.

Courts have overruled commission determinations not only on that but on other grounds that did not seem justified by facts or common sense. No weight seems to have been given to other criteria quite as worthy of consideration. In his address to the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, Vice Chairman Clyde L. Seavey, of the Federal Power Commission, who served for many years as President of the California State commission, set forth the difficulties of such commissions in fixing rates; the necessity of some fair basis for rate making, and the protection of commission rate orders from dilatory and unwarranted court attacks. He urged the fixing of utility rates on the basis of the historical cost of property, substantially the basis which the Federal Power Commission has used successfully for many years in determining the actual legitimate original cost of federally licensed projects.

The gist of his proposals is embodied in a bill now pending in Congress—S. 2410, introduced by Senator Minton of

Indiana, for an amendment to the Judicial Code by adding a new section (263) as follows:

Sec. 263. It shall be prima-facie evidence in any court of the United States of the validity of an order of an administrative agency of the United States, or a State or of any political subdivision thereof, prescribing rates chargeable by a public utility or common carrier, made pursuant to lawful authority and after reasonable notice and hearing, if the rates prescribed by such order produce such a return upon the prudent investment in the property used and useful in the public service as to allow such utility or carrier adequately to finance its reasonable obligations and perform its functions necessary in the public interest; and no such order shall be set aside, modified, enjoined, suspended, or restrained by any such court unless the court shall find that the rates prescribed thereby are confiscatory.

Bills are now pending, in both houses of Congress, introduced in the House by Representative Lea of California; in the Senate by Senator Brown of Michigan, providing for the regulation by the Federal Power Commission of the transportation, sale and exchange of natural gas in interstate commerce, giving the commission very much the same authority over natural gas that it now exercises over the interstate transmission and sale of electric energy and the companies engaged therein. The Lea bill has been favorably reported to the House, and its advocates expect action on this legislation at the present session of Congress.

Owing to its very wide distribution, since much of the output is produced at great distances from the consuming market and is distributed in many States, and because of the inability of the individual States to prevent waste, depletion and uneconomical and inequitable practices, these bills declare that the exercise of Federal jurisdiction is necessary in the public interest, not only for the regulation of that part of natural gas and the natural-gas pipe-line industry which is not subject to regulation by the States, but also "to aid the States in the proper conservation and orderly production of this valuable natural resource."

The "Twilight Zone"

These are the same reasons that have impelled the regulation of electric utilities, their rates, practices and securities. States could not regulate utilities extending beyond State lines. So long as electric generation, distribution and sale were confined largely to local production and service, reliance could be placed on State regulation. The formation of monster holding companies owning electric systems in various parts of the country, with networks of high-tension lines spreading over large areas, put many activities beyond the reach of State regulation. Control over local stations and systems was futile in the face of absentee ownership and control by holding corporations that laughed at restraints and, until Federal authority was established, practically escaped regulation. Into this "twilight zone," as President Theodore Roosevelt termed it, only the long arm of the Federal Government could reach. Nearly nine-tenths of the electric energy sold in this country is produced by a few more than 100 systems, according to the reports of our National Power Survey made by the Federal Power Commission. The larger part is produced and sold by only a score or so of the largest holding companies, their associates and affiliates. If they cannot be controlled, regulation fails. Only Federal power can adequately control them.

That is the reason for Federal regulation—a necessity that Theodore Roose-

velt foresaw a quarter century ago, expressing his views in his flaming James River and Rainy River vetoes; that Taft confirmed in his Coosa River veto; that, under Woodrow Wilson, was translated into legislation by the passage of the Federal Power Act and the creation of the Federal Power Commission.

Franklin D. Roosevelt's power policies; the passage of the Public Utility Act of 1935; the restriction of holding companies and the regulation of their practices; strengthening of Federal power legislation; the National Power Survey and Electric Rate Survey conducted by the Federal Power Commission; the great Federal projects under construction; the reports of the National Resources Board and the broad plans for development of our water and land resources on a comprehensive, logical scale are all parts of one whole, constituting an effort to preserve and develop great natural assets for the public service and the public good.

Recent Books

A FOREIGNER LOOKS AT THE TVA By Odette Keun

The author believes that one of the most intelligent and far-reaching social experiments of modern times is going on right here in the United States. An extensive traveler, whose wanderings in "dictator" countries have intensified her love of liberty, Mme. Keun sees in the TVA a "blue print" for a future society. She expresses her conviction that the TVA symbolizes the spirit which can find a way out of the social economic ills of today, and that it stands as a positive answer to the threat of communism and fascism.

To many the TVA connotes a government project for generation of electrical power. The power question is important and Mme. Keun has devoted considerable space to a study of the situation, analyzing in detail the complicated relationship of the utility companies and the TVA in regard to the use and sale of power. But she also finds it only a part of a marvelously integrated program, embracing engineering works, irrigation, flood control and navigation. With a European's real horror of waste she is appalled at the rapid disappearance of the American top soil and cries an urgent warning. (Longmans, Green, \$1.25.)

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THE OBJECTIVE RATE PLAN FOR REDUCING THE PRICE OF RESIDENTIAL ELECTRICITY By William F. Kennedy

The objective rate plan is one of the most important developments in public utility rate-making. It has been applied to residential gas and commercial electric service, and one company has used it for its street lighting service. But its most common application has been in the field of residential electric service.

The first objective rate plan for residential electric service was introduced on Oct. 1, 1933, by the Alabama Power Company, a subsidiary of the Commonwealth and Southern Corporation. Since then fifty-six other electric companies in thirty-three States have adopted residential schedules based on the principles of this plan.

In this present study Mr. Kennedy clearly sets forth the history of the objective rate plan, the reasons for its adoption and the results obtained. It should be a matter of interest not only to the electric utility industry but to all regulatory bodies and to those interested in the general economics of price-fixing. (Columbia University Press, \$1.25.)

A HALF-CENTURY OF EDISON SERVICE

● In the 100th anniversary year of Chicago's existence as a chartered city, its electric light and power utility—the Commonwealth Edison Company—reaches its 50th birthday. The rapid growth of Chicago in the last 50 years has been paralleled by a development of electrical resources that represents a constructive contribution to community progress.

The greatest growth of the city and the Company, however, has occurred since the turn of the century. The population of Chicago has doubled since 1900. In this same period the number of the Company's electric customers increased 60 times, and their annual use of electricity increased 140 times.

The same progressive pioneering spirit that has characterized Chicago's history as a city has been a dominant factor in assuring adequate, reliable electric service at low cost. The same broad foundation of diversified industrial and commercial activities that has stimulated Chicago's uninterrupted progress contributes to the operating and financial strength of its electric service company.

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The Power Issue as a Liberal Sees It: Investors Will Be Amply Protected

By Hon. MAURY MAVERICK
Member of Congress (Texas)

DUCKS take to water and chickens roost in trees. Poets, priests and politicians do not wise-acre in ye olde journals of finance; nor do your financial wizards write advice for the lovelorn. This is such an obvious statement that I deserve a box on the ear: Whoever heard of Bill Hearst, or Mark Sullivan, writing an editorial for *The New Masses*? Right. But the point is that in like reading like we get more narrow-minded, more fixed in our views.

So be it, THE ANNALIST here turns a table and prints what the Proud of the Little Street call the mouthings of a mere politician. And it will concern government ownership; for a time I shall sail in your columns right of statistics and your columns left of graphs.

But in sailing THE ANNALIST Ocean I need not tell you, for you already know it, that economic buccaneering in the power field is no longer news to the American public. The story of both the investor and consumer being robbed and pillaged has been told. But there is more; write-ups, inter-company sales, padded rate bases, watered stocks and rake-offs are still part of the technique.

And of the magic days gone by we still seem to remember the lobbying in the State Legislatures, subsidized influences in our educational institutions, and the misleading advertising and publicity methods of the power industry. Nor can we forget the part played by the holding companies.

Will Investors Be Destroyed?

But let me state what I believe are two facts:

First—The day of the Big Buccaneer, the Hopsons, the Morgans, the Dohertys, the Insulls is gone. So, too, is the great Holding Company game, played in a maze of legal magic and trickery.

Second—Public ownership of utilities on a very large scale by the States, "authorities," municipalities and cooperatives is here to stay.

Immediately one question comes to the investor's mind: What is going to happen to our investments? What is the "politician" going to do to us? Are we going to be wrecked, lose all?

No.

If I should give an answer I would say, holding to my belief in a large measure of government ownership of utilities, that no investor will lose a dime. The government should respect the investor, and naturally will. I believe that every member of the American Congress, both houses, agrees. So the investor at least knows that the attitude of the legislator is not to *destroy* but to protect investments.

Riskless Profits

I will not detail the Holding Company story over again, for tons of ink have been used to tell it. Briefly, however, the people remember that the top dogs controlled hundreds of dollars for each dollar invested; that they thus controlled the profits at comparatively no risk. As for loss, there was generally none at all for the top dogs, because of the huge salaries. The losers were the rank and file of the investors.

Public districts are already being financed by private financiers just as they finance private plants. This is true of Seattle; Los Angeles has followed suit. In the State of Nebraska even bankers and insurance men are supporting the idea of the purchase of private power companies by public units. Many believe public bonds are as good as pri-

vate bonds—in fact, everybody *knows* it. The main point to understand is that the transition from private to public ownership of power may be accomplished peacefully and fairly, with no loss to the investor or taxpayer.

Speaking as a politician, looking at my trade realistically and seriously, no Congressman can sidestep the power issue in future elections. The Power Trust is square in the middle of the road—or at least will be until some solution satisfactory to the people has been worked out. People have the definite feeling that the electric industry has been in unscrupulous hands.

Trend Toward Public Ownership

That the tendency is toward public control and public ownership is shown by many of our national fights. These include TVA, the Holding Company Act,

could not come except by making electricity cheaper. With these greater sales the investor can get good and stable dividends. This has already happened in TVA: there is more and cheaper electricity, and no investor has lost any money on account of it.

Occasionally stocks have dropped by some governmental action or other. But if the investor will bear in mind that the government does not "confiscate" utilities, there is no occasion for sudden panics. Alabama Power Company, for instance, buys from the TVA; because of TVA's competition, the big holding unit, Tennessee Electric Power Company, got the prize from the Edison Electric Institute for the best company in America. No property has yet been stolen from the timid investor by a paternalistic government, although it is occasionally predicted when some interested party gets hysterical.

have always been better off than American investors in private utilities.

I have taken TVA and have set it side by side with the Niagara. TVA includes water and soil conservation, low electric rates, development of by-products, and it assumes social responsibility. Niagara: all factors show the disadvantage on our side of the river as against the Canadian side. The Canadians have all the advantages I have mentioned, and their superior position is unquestioned. And at that, the Ontario Hydro does not compare with the accomplishments of TVA.

In looking at electricity, and considering myself as a public official, I try to do so intelligently, from the viewpoint of the greatest public development and in a way that no one, including the investor, will be harmed. But electricity is not a mere matter for chalking up figures of stocks on the wall. It includes, as I have said about TVA, other important functions and social objectives.

More, great national development is not possible through private capital. Private capital, such as Niagara, is not, and cannot, be interested in social forces, conservation of water and land, better navigation, irrigation and reclamation. All these functions go together, and I will tell you why.

Social Objectives

TVA builds a dam for flood control. (They have proved successful, too.) When the army engineers are finished, water piles over the dam. Let it go to waste? No! What kind of a public official do you think I am? Build a dam, and give the taxpayer's product away? Certainly not. Pay for the dam out of its own profits, its own by-products.

Boulder is another example. It has some private contracts, but most of its power goes to the city of Los Angeles, recently municipalized; the project is coordinated with vast problems of soil erosion prevention, water conservation, irrigation and reclamation. No private company could have financed it (they didn't); the benefit to millions of people could not have been obtained except through the government of the United States, powerful enough to establish a vast integrated government plan.

Here, also, is something to console the investor: none has lost in the Scandinavian countries, where public ownership has increased, and where the industry is now being operated on a diverse, public and private ownership basis. And no one will lose here. The changes will be gradual.

But, frankly, as for grid systems and power pools now, there will be none. Why? Simply because the private power group has betrayed the government so often that they cannot be trusted. When the Power Trust ceases its obstructive tactics, cooperation may be possible.

In the meantime, while private power groups are learning good manners, the industry can go on expanding, public and private. Possibly power pools can be created then. But in any event, I believe the increase in the use of electricity will be so enormous that the present utilities will look like the present private roads and bridges by the side of public roads and bridges. Statisticians do not predict such increase, but they are an unimaginative crew, and I believe they are wrong.

Indeed, electricity should be as com-

In this annual power and light number *The Annalist* presents along with its statistical and forecast material, a forum of opinion. Congressman Maverick of Texas, although a member of the House for less than three years, is a recognized leader in the liberal bloc of House members interested in the power issue. He is well able to speak authoritatively in setting forth the attitude and plans of this group. Mr. Maverick believes that the government's program will protect investors as well as consumers.

rural electrification and public works. In saying this I am not discussing the *merits* of public ownership but the trend of public opinion. In the decade preceding the depression municipal plants did not grow relatively as fast as private, because of the mushroom growth of corporations and the holding companies and the interchange of power between private groups. But since the New Deal a thousand or more cities have applied to Public Works for loans to build power plants. Especially in cities in the States of Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi have the people voted for municipal plants; this, of course, because TVA power is available.

Dilatory lawsuits by the dozen have been filed to prevent the development of public power, but the surge has not stopped. It is unlikely that the judges can stop it.

TVA is a good example. Starting with Wilson Dam and Muscle Shoals, vetoed by Coolidge and Hoover, on through the tortuous and rocky path of injunctions and fights in Congress, TVA rides the waves of public opinion as a shining ship of popularity. What interests me are the results. Covering seven States, the Valley affects the lives of over two million people directly. With low living standards for about a century, these people are beginning to have a chance to rise, to get a car, a house, electric light, to send their kids to school—and have such luxuries as dentists and doctors.

More and Cheaper Power

So far, I have spoken of the general public more than I have of the investor. Now, Steinmetz said that low rates could not be obtained except through greater consumption, and greater consumption

terical. The truth is the electric empires began to fall long before TVA had gotten its stride. These Imperialists still have their crests and pretty coats-of-arms, but they are as empty as the title of a French count.

For All the People

The major accomplishments of the TVA have been possible through the efforts of Senator George W. Norris. Without an ounce of demagoguery, with no flair for sweeping political gestures, this man really founded TVA. Now he proposes to offer this plan on a district-for-district basis to all the people living in the United States.

It has the vision of a major prophecy. Contrast with it our prodigality in turning over to private enterprise the great power resources of Niagara Falls, the finest power site in America and one of the best in all the world. Private exploitation of that unique public resource has made many millionaires. It has enabled the Aluminum Company of America to obtain a virtual monopoly in the manufacture and distribution of a household necessity. It has enabled a number of electrochemical companies to produce enormous profits. *But it has been of no benefit whatever to the residential and other small consumers of the State of New York.*

Big business seized our share of Niagara and has exploited it for unreasonable speculation. The Province of Ontario, on the other hand, using the same water, has been more prudent in the utilization of its share of Niagara power, which has been transmitted widely throughout the Province and sold at low rates to the masses of the people. And the investors in Ontario have never lost a cent; they

mon as the use of roads, bridges, water, education, mail service, sewers. Cheap electricity means dignity and decency. In the mountains of Tennessee I have seen one-room cabins where there has never been anything but a candle or a kerosene lamp. Comes electricity, and the life of the people changes: soon there is a new room, a new outlook on life.

Progress Irresistible

To me all this means one thing: an understanding by the people of what they want and know they can have. Are we, a very few of us, to block the sweep of progress because we fear public ownership? Morally, no; but anyhow, we cannot. If we consider the viewpoint of

the consumer, the public and the investor, we can work it out where no one loses.

The people are determined to have cheap power. Congressmen know it. And to make an unreasonable, bitter, nonsensical, court-court fight on Congress will only mean that investors will suffer, as they have previously, from unsound practices of the power industry.

For my part, I am willing to try accomplishing an all-round safe job. If stockholders will do their own thinking, and not believe too much from the boys who knock off the big money on the credulity of their investors, this can be done peacefully, gradually and fairly to all.

National Legislation: Interim Summary of Status of Important Bills Pending

IT has been a week of prologue and stage setting in Washington: New NRA tax evasions, court issue backstage and European war threats for sound effects. This is a good time to re-list the items on which action is pending in Congress. On Capitol Hill, after five months with no program and few results, there is more program than can be quickly assimilated.

The recent additions such as fair labor, regional power authorities, and the Farm Bill were contemplated from the beginning of the session and could have been worked on by Congress all this time. But the higher strategy was to semi-digest them downtown. Congress seems in no hurry to wind up the major issues and there is little doubt now that the session will last till Fall.

Following are some of the main proposals of business significance which remain to be settled. This is merely a factual summary with no outright predictions as to what will pass and what will not pass during the current session. Washington guessers may be 80 per cent right but that average would make them 20 per cent wrong.

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PENDING ACTION as of June 1:

SUPREME COURT: Unfavorable report by S committee pending. (S1392) **FAIR LABOR:** Joint S and H hearings. (S2475 & HR7200) This affects outlook for independent action on child labor (S2226, S2345, &c.); the Ellenbogen bill (HR238) for a "Little NRA" in the textile industry; and the O'Mahoney bill (S10). Hearings have been held on these bills.

FEDERAL REORGANIZATIONS: Split between H and S committee members. Administration bill yet to be filed. Heavy opposition will be encountered if plans are pushed to destroy the independence of ICC and the Comptroller General.

TAXES: Two-year extension of excise taxes (HJR375) in H committee. Investigation of "immoral" tax evasions to come with likely bill to make them illegal.

TRADE PRACTICES: FTC amendment bill (S1077) passed S. Lea substitute (HR5854) likely to be reported. This would expand inquisitorial powers less than S bill; would give FTC power over food and drug advertising. Copeland food and drug bill (S5) which passed S thus might be sidetracked. Note that the trade practice phase of the old NRA is not covered in the fair labor bill. Miller-Tydings bill (S100 & HR1611) to permit resale price maintenance in trademarked merchandise, on H and S calendar but action stopped by request of White House.

BANKRUPTCY: Barkley (S2344) on trusteeships, S committee. Sabath (HR6963) bondholders' protective committees. Lea (HR6968) on reorganization committees. Chandler (HR6439) general strengthening of bankruptcy laws. And others.

AGRICULTURE: Administration bill

for ever-normal granary, &c., in hearing stage, H and S. Farm tenancy bill (HR6240) on H calendar; might pass with appropriation much reduced.

TRANSPORTATION: Air transport regulation by ICC (HR7273) on H calendar. Water transport regulation by ICC (S1400) report pending in S committee. Railroad safety devices (S29) passed S. Train length bill (S69) on S calendar. Others pending.

POWER: White House message and Norris bill on multiple-TVA plan expected this week. Extensive H hearings held on Bonneville bills. FTC investigation of efforts for and against public ownership (SJR95) passed S.

GAS: Federal Power Commission regulation of natural gas (HR6586) on H calendar.

HOT OIL: Connally bill (S790) to extend hot-oil law permanently, passed S. Bill for 2-year extension (HR5366) on H calendar.

STREAM POLLUTION: Vinson bill (HR2711) passed H. Senator Lonergan wants his stricter plan (S13, S15).

SUGAR: Extensive hearings on HR5326 to extend expiring Jones-Costigan act for sugar quotas.

EDUCATION: Aid to States (S419) inactive on S calendar.

HOUSING: Wagner bill (S1685) inactive after extensive hearings.

SOCIAL SECURITY: Numerous pending amendments to increase Federal participation and broaden groups covered. Main issues surrounding reserve plan, &c., being studied for action next year.

APPROPRIATIONS: Status of appropriation bills is shown in the accompanying table. They are far enough along so

that Congress, if it so wills, can finish the routine supply bills this month without over-exertion. The total seems to be hitting close enough to the budget estimate so that the President is getting substantially what he asked for in his relief budget estimate. (See *The Annalist* of April 23.) Economy plans are in abeyance. The House earmarking of the \$1.5 billions relief bill is being compromised with final vote to come as this is written.

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NATIONAL LEGISLATION for the week ended May 31:

VETOED—HR5478: Allow renewal of veterans 5-year level premium term policies for another 5-year period. May 28.

PASSED BOTH HOUSES—HR5722: Re-

right to redeem after foreclosure sale to satisfy lien prior to that of U. S.

HR7212 (Celler) Labor—Regulate interstt commerce in child labor.

HR7229 (Powers) Interstt & Forn Com-Amend Motor Carrier Act to require filing of minimum charges.

HR7230 (Patman) Bnkng & Currency—Govt ownership of the 12 Fed Res banks. Backed by "Unofficial Steering Committee" of 152 Congressmen from 39 States.

HR7234 (Colden) Bnkng & Currency—Permit home owners in mortgage default to retain possession.

HR7237 (Barry) Civil Service—Create Civil Service Board of Appeals to settle employee differences with superiors.

HR7257 (Barry) Census—Census of unemployed and relievers.

HR7262 (Jenkins) Interstt & Forn Com-

Federal Appropriations

Title	1937 Appro- priation	1938 Budget	Latest Action	Status	(Millions of Dollars.)
					1,140.3(H) 1,125.0(S)
Independent Offices.....	1,079.0	1,146.3		In conference. Figures include \$18 millions appropriated in H. J. R. 386 which went to President, include reappropriations	
Treasury and Post Office..	1,226.1	1,516.0	1,503.4	Pub. Law No. 77	
Navy Department.....	528.1	562.4	516.3	Pub. Law No. 54	
State, Justice, Commerce &			123.1(H)	In Conference	
Labor	117.8	124.3	125.8(S)	Pub. Law No. 94	
Legislative	25.4	24.9	24.1	In Senate Committee	
District of Columbia.....	43.7	46.5	45.1	In conference; includes re-appropriations	
Agriculture	788.0	936.5	879.8(S)	In Senate Committee	
Military Establishment.....	391.4	416.8	415.8	In House Committee	
Interior Department.....	121.6	111.2	123.0	In House Committee	
War Department, Civilian.....	188.8	193.6	...	...
Subtotal	4,509.9	5,078.5	5,078.5	...	
First Deficiency .....	...	900.5	949.1	Pub. Law No. ...	
Second Deficiency .....	...	98.0	81.7	To President	
Relief .....	...	1,500.0	1,500.0	Yet to come	
Third Deficiency .....	...	...	...	...
		7,576.0			

enact and amend AAA Act re-marketing agreements and orders. To President May 28.

HR6730—2d deficiency approp. To Pres. May 28.

HJR386—\$18 millions for immediate use, old-age assistance. To Pres. May 28.

HConRes14—Reduce Independent Offices approp. delayed in conference, by \$18 millions for SSB covered by HJR386. Passed S May 28.

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PASSED HOUSE OF ORIGIN—S2439—Continue Fed Surplus Commodities Corp to June 30, 1939. Rptd H May 28.

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BILLS REPORTED—SJR68 (Murray May 26—Appoint Natnl Unemp & Rif Commrs of 5 to 15 distinguished citizens to serve without pay, hold hearings and make plans; \$50,000.

SJR85 (Pope) May 26—Continue invstg of social and economic needs of labor migrating across State lines; \$20,000.

HR7273 (Lea) May 28—ICC regulatn of air transport.

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NEW BILLS—S2503 (McAdoo) Educ & Labor—Coop with States in adult education. S2515 (Byrd, for Glass) Finance—Refund income and profits taxes overpaid and improperly withheld.

Amend FTC Act re fair trade practice enforcement.

HR7272 (Hartley) Judic—License persons in interstt com.

HR7274 (Fitzgerald) Labor—Labor Dept to formulate apprentice stds.

HR7309 (Bland) Mercht Marine & Fisheries—Establish Fishery Credit Corp.

HJR389 (Withrow Interstt & Forn Com—FTC invstg auto mfgrs distribution policies & dealers sales policies.

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

THE BACKWARD ART OF SPENDING MONEY AND OTHER ESSAYS, by Wesley C. Mitchell. (Whittlesey House, \$3.) A volume of collected papers by the Professor of Economics, Columbia University.

CANADA, by André Siegfried. (Harcourt, Brace, \$3.) A study of Canada written by an economics expert.

COLLECTIVISM: A False Utopia, by William Henry Chamberlin. (Macmillan, \$2.) The threat of collectivism to democracy.



One pound of coal contains as much power as 10 Million Pounds of Water falling 1 foot.

Coal!

"The First and Best Source of Power" . . .

BEFORE his death Thomas Edison said: "The first and best source of power is coal . . . water power is a political issue, not a business one. Rates [for electricity] are fixed at any point by the cost of generating power from steam."

Ever since the production and transmission of electricity became commercially feasible, science and invention have steadily progressed in improving the extraction of energy from coal. Less than fifty years ago it was necessary to use eight pounds of coal to make one kilowatt-hour. Today there is under construction in the system of one of our subsidiary companies a power plant that will produce a kilowatt-hour for every pound of coal burned under the boilers.

As science and invention continue to improve the extraction of electric power from coal, the relative economy of steam power production over water power will grow even more marked. Thomas Edison was right when he said: "The first and best source of power is coal."

AMERICAN GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Canadian Business—News: Employment Again Higher; Electricity Output Gains

CANADIAN business activity last week showed very little change. Further improvement in crop conditions was an outstanding feature of the week. April statistics released last week were favorable. Electric power production was at a new high April level. Despite a setback in general business activity, employment was again higher in April. Wholesale commodity prices have advanced, but freight car loadings turned downward.

THE ANNALIST Index of Canadian Business Activity for April is placed at 85.0, as against 93.0 (revised) for March, 89.6 for February and 90.6 for January. April figures for four of the sixteen components included in the combined index are not available.

Table I gives for February, March and April the combined index and its components, each of which is adjusted

TABLE I. THE ANNALIST INDEX OF CANADIAN BUSINESS ACTIVITY

	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.
Freight carloadings	68.6	75.8	71.0
Elec. power production	98.0	97.8	94.5
Automobile production	70.1	111.0	109.4
Newsprint production	86.0	101.0	99.6
Steel ingot production	93.2	104.5	114.8
Pig iron production	84.3	83.8	87.8
Copper exports	140.8	117.2	109.1
Nickel exports	119.5	131.6	122.8
Cos. production	94.7	104.0	104.0
Crude rubber imports	46.4	36.0	36.0
Raw cotton imports	129.1	135.4	135.4
Flour production	85.0	85.1	85.1
Cattle slaughtered	110.2	133.0	119.6
Hogs slaughtered	149.6	164.5	149.2
Exports of boards and planks	98.9	90.3	95.9
Building permits	25.3	43.7	19.9
Combined Index	*85.0	+93.0	89.6

TABLE II. THE COMBINED INDEX SINCE JANUARY, 1932

	1937	1936	1935	1934	1933	1932
Jan.	90.6	78.9	75.6	70.4	56.1	66.9
Feb.	89.6	81.1	75.4	72.5	54.0	66.5
Mar.	193.0	79.2	75.4	76.1	52.9	68.6
Apr.	*85.0	82.5	76.9	76.9	54.2	62.9
May	79.5	77.6	78.5	58.9	66.0	66.0
June	80.4	76.9	77.7	64.1	64.6	64.6
July	80.0	76.6	76.3	70.8	58.1	58.1
Aug.	82.6	76.8	75.6	75.0	58.5	58.5
Sept.	86.1	77.1	76.1	71.6	60.5	60.5
Oct.	88.7	73.5	72.8	69.9	57.4	57.4
Nov.	90.5	83.3	74.5	68.2	62.0	62.0
Dec.	92.0	85.9	77.8	68.4	56.2	56.2

*Subject to revision. ^tRevised.

for seasonal variation and, where necessary, for long-time trend. Table II gives the combined index by months back to the beginning of 1932.

The substantial decline in the com-

bined index was due largely to marked decreases in the adjusted indices of freight car loadings, automobile production and newsprint production. Declines were also shown by the adjusted indices of steel ingot production, nickel exports, cattle slaughtered, hogs slaughtered

ments was a further increase in electric power production, after allowance for seasonal fluctuations. Average daily output amounted to 71,955,000 kilowatt-hours, as compared with 72,244,000 for March and 67,941,000 for April, 1936. The decrease from March was less than

risen to a record high level, due to the adjustment for long-time trend.

Employment statistics released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics make a favorable showing. Employment as of May 1 showed a pronounced increase, according to data tabulated from 10,089 firms whose staffs aggregated 1,011,474 persons, or 32,155 more than in the preceding month. On May 1, 1936, there were 9,544 firms employing 939,409 persons. The unadjusted employment index for May 1 is 106.3, as against 103.0 for April 1 and 99.5 for May 1, 1936.



and building permits. Gains were recorded by the adjusted indices of electric power production, pig iron production, copper exports and exports of boards and planks.

During May activity in a number of the industries which recorded decreases in April turned upward. Some improvement in the combined index is consequently expected for May. The outlook is clouded somewhat by labor disturbances and uncertainty regarding the crops. Increased unsettlement in Europe because of the bombing of a Spanish port by the German warships must also be reckoned with, since Canada is very dependent upon foreign markets.

One of the most favorable develop-

Montreal Stock Exchange DAILY CLOSING AVERAGES

	10 Utili- ties.	20 Indus- trial	30 Com- bined
May 26	77.8	106.5	96.9
May 27	78.1	107.0	97.4
May 28	78.7	108.7	98.7
May 29	78.1	109.3	98.9
May 31	77.3	106.9	97.0
June 1	77.7	107.4	97.5

	SHARES SOLD	Week Ended	May 29, 1937	May 30, 1936
Monday	58,642	Holiday	433,161	
Tuesday	84,216		563,600	
Wednesday	113,484		390,656	
Thursday	144,457		269,353	
Friday	62,943		126,638	
Total	490,742		1,783,108	

usually occurs, and as a result the adjusted index rose to 98.0 from 97.8 for March. The adjusted index has not

Montreal Stock Exchange DAILY CLOSING AVERAGES

	10 Utili- ties.	20 Indus- trial	30 Com- bined
May 26	77.8	106.5	96.9
May 27	78.1	107.0	97.4
May 28	78.7	108.7	98.7
May 29	78.1	109.3	98.9
May 31	77.3	106.9	97.0
June 1	77.7	107.4	97.5

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recorded at May 1 in any year since 1930, and greatly exceeding the average for the same date in the period 1921-1936.

This continued rise in employment is easing the government's relief burden. It was previously reported that grants-in-aid to the Provinces would be substantially reduced this year. Last week the two remaining relief agreements between the Dominion and the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were closed. The principal features of the new arrangements are expected to be made public this week by Norman Rogers, Minister of Labor. Public works relief projects have also been curtailed. The reduction amounts to about 40 per cent, and a more drastic cut is expected in the next fiscal year.

Freight-car loadings for the third week in May rose over 3,300 cars above the level of the preceding week, which contained a holiday. The gain, however, was considerably smaller than the usual seasonal rise. Consequently the seasonally adjusted index fell sharply to 81.78 from 86.15. A year ago the index stood at 73.16. Total loadings as reported by the Dominion Bureau amounted to 50,219 cars, as against 46,902 cars in the preceding week and 44,928 cars in the corresponding week of last year. Miscellaneous shipments were nearly 4,000 cars greater than a year ago, but grain shipments were 1,879 cars less. Livestock shipments were also smaller than a year ago, but all other classifications recorded increases.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index of wholesale commodity prices rose to 85.4 for the week ended May 14 from 84.7 for the preceding week. Vegetable products increased to 89.6 from 87.8. Grains, milled products, sugar and rubber products moved higher, while fruits, vegetable oils, raw rubber and cocoa weakened. Animal products declined to 76.2 from 76.4, while textiles remained unchanged. A decrease in scrap iron lowered the iron index to 103.8 from 104.2, while nonferrous metals rose to 86.2 from 84.8. Increases

in spruce and furniture outweighed a loss in British Columbia fir, the wood products index rising to 78.5 from 78.3. Non-metallic minerals advanced 1 point to 86.6, but chemicals declined to 81.9 from 82.2. Canadian farm products advanced to 88.7 from 86.5.

Additional rains last week again im-

Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, outlined the proposals the United States would like included in an Anglo-American commerce treaty. No details were announced and Mr. Runciman stressed the preliminary nature of the trade talks. It is interesting to note, however, that Canada along with Aus-

imports from the United States increased 18 per cent, as compared with a gain in imports from all other countries of only 12 per cent. United States imports from Canada rose 32 per cent, as compared with a gain of 17 per cent in imports from all other countries. The report says in part:

Several factors contributed to the increase of Canadian purchases from the United States in addition to the direct stimulus caused by the reductions in tariff duties and the lowering or removal of arbitrary valuations. These were the greater Canadian purchasing power resulting in part from increased exports to the United States and in part from the recovery of business activities in Canada itself; and the rising price level. However, it is significant that imports from the United States of that group of American products, both agricultural and industrial, on which reduction in duties or customs valuations were granted by Canada, showed the greatest increase.

In addition to the effect of the duty reductions granted Canada in the agreement, several factors acted to expand American purchases in Canada, namely, increasing business activity, the drought of 1936, and the rising price level, which appeared in the United States as well as in Canada. The increase in business activity in the United States created a heavy demand for raw materials, while the drought of 1936 caused temporary shortages in the supplies of certain agricultural products.

It is significant, as in the case of Canadian imports from the United States, that United States imports from Canada of the group of products on which lower duties were granted in the agreement increased relatively more than imports of other groups of products. The increase in 1936 over 1935 of imports of such reduced duty commodities accounted for \$30,000,000 of the \$66,000,000 increase in total dutiable im-



proved crop prospects and resulted in a slight reaction in grain prices. The Dominion Bureau reports that the season of 1937 is well ahead of last year. Seeding of wheat is practically completed throughout the Prairie Provinces and coarse grains are going into the ground rapidly. Lack of moisture is still serious in some sections and soil drifting is causing concern although the damage generally is not beyond repair by prompt precipitation. Throughout the southern part of the wheat belt, much will depend on the coming of widespread and generous rainfall now needed to keep crops growing in a satisfactory manner. Grasshoppers are fairly numerous but little damage has been done as yet.

Interest in the Imperial Conference was heightened last week when Walter

Australia favors such a treaty in principle. Since both of these countries have large favorable trade balances with Britain, their support of an Anglo-American treaty should go a long way.

In connection with trade treaty talks in London, a report by a committee representing the United States State, Commerce and Agriculture Departments and the Tariff Commission on the operation of the reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Canada is of interest. The report shows that Canadian imports from the United States in 1936 were over \$57,000,000 greater than in 1935 while United States imports from Canada increased by \$92,000,000.

Not all of these gains can be attributed to the treaty since they were due partly to normal business recovery. The report shows, however, that Canadian

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Saturday, May 29



STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS			STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS				
Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
12 Agnew-S... 5%	94	94	108	5 C Cot pf... 103	108	108	108
5 Alberta Gr. 5	5	5	100 C P In... 24%	24%	24%	24%	24%
35 Do pf... 28	28	28	680 C Hy-Et pf 80	774	80	80	80
40 Assoc Br... 14½	14½	14½	855 C Ind Al A 5%	5½	5½	5½	5½
3,421 Bathurst 20	18½	19½	365 C Do B 4%	4½	4½	4½	4½
1,060 Bawlf Gr. 3½	3	3	115 Can Loco... 13½	13½	13½	13½	13½
2,827 Bell Tel... 16½	16½	16½	1,245 Con Facy 13½	12½	13½	13½	13½
15,842 Brazilian 25%	23½	24%	115 Cockshutt P 17	17	17	17	17
362 C Pw... 35	35	35	1,491 C Smelt... 82	80	80	80	80
247 Do B... 8	8	8	10 Crown Crk. 19½	19½	19½	19½	19½
330 Bruck Silk. 6½	6½	6½	105 Dist. Pow... 21	21	21	21	21
390 C Pw... 6½	6½	6½	505 D Bridge... 50½	50	50	50	50
100 Calgary P... 100	100	100	385 D Cos pf... 20	20	20	20	20
348 Can Cem... 17½	16½	17½	25 Dom Glass 112	112	112	112	112
120 Do pf... 103½	103½	103½	150 Regent Knit 9½	9½	9½	9½	9½
10 Can For. A 17½	17½	17½	3,322 D S & C B. 19½	18½	19½	19½	19½
40 Do B... 16½	16½	16½	450 Dom Tar. 15	14	14	14	14
331 C N Pw... 22½	21	22½	5 Dom pf... 108	108	108	108	108
60 C Steams (old)	2½	2½	1,995 Dryden... 18	17	17	17	17
100 Do pf (old) 6½	6½	6½	275 E Dairies 2½	2½	2½	2½	2½
55 C W & C B 25	25	25	825 Electrol... 18	18	18	18	18
15 C Bronze... 4½	4½	4½	50 Eng El A 32	32	32	32	32
13 Do... 109	109	109	1,688 Shawinigan 27½	26½	26½	26½	26½
1,265 Can Car. 17	15½	16½	40 S Williams 25½	25½	25½	25½	25½
655 Do pf... 25½	26½	26½	85 Simon & S. 14	14	14	14	14
1,513 Can Cel. 25½	24½	24½	52 S. W... 13	13	13	13	13
10 Do pf... 121½	121½	121½	316 St C... 80	79	80	80	80
30 C Conv... 28	28	28	210 Do pf... 73½	72½	72½	72½	72½
			16 Tuckett pf 150	150	150	150	150
			500 United Steel 7½	7½	7½	7½	7½
			1,195 Wabasso... 31	24	31	31	31
			404 Wind. El. A 4½	4½	4½	4½	4½
			1,024 Do B... 4½	4½	4½	4½	4½
			BANKS				
			18 Canadiana 159	159	159	159	159
			37 Commerce... 199	198½	199	198½	199
			171 Montreal 236	234	236	236	236
			24 Nova Sco. 326	326	326	326	326
			72 Royal 204½	202	204½	202	204½
			1 Toronto 258	258	258	258	258
			BONDS				
			\$16,100 M P Debs. 50½	50½	50½	50½	50½

STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS			CURB MARKET STOCKS			CURB MARKET STOCKS			CURB MARKET MINES		
Sales.	High.	Low.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Sales.	High.	Low.
10,395 Abitibi 7%	6½	7½	5,224 Price Bros. 45½	40½	45	5,224 Price Bros. 45½	40½	45	500 Hunt Wts. 15	.15	.15
3,059 Do pf. 6½	6½	6½	835 Do pf. n. 70	68	70	2,000 J. M. Cons. 29	28	29	2,000 J. M. Cons. 29	28	29
26 Do c of d 6½	6½	6½	5 Reliance... 13	13	13	200 Kirk Rand 35	35	35	200 Kirk Rand 35	35	35
25 Aluminum. 11½	11½	11½	625 Royalite... 41½	38	41½	637 L Shore... 53½	51½	51½	637 L Shore... 53½	51½	51½
1,037 Asbestos... 94	92	92	71 S C P pf. 105	105	105	47,700 Lam Cont. .09	.09	.09	47,700 Lam Cont. .09	.09	.09
4,692 Do rts. 2½	2½	2½	200 Unit Dist. 19½	19½	19½	440 Macassar 5.55	5.55	5.25	440 Macassar 5.55	5.55	5.25
2,79 Bathurst. B 10	9½	10	1,450 Walker pf. 19½	19½	19½	25 McIntyre .34%	.34%	.34%	25 McIntyre .34%	.34%	.34%
920 Beauchamp. 7	6½	6½	10 Walkerville 2	2	2	1,200 McF. Hall .03	.03	.03	1,200 McF. Hall .03	.03	.03
Brew & D. 7½	7½	7½	10 Weston ... 16½	16½	16½	1,100 Met. Gold 15	15	15	1,100 Met. Gold 15	15	15
1,1a L Fp. 130	130	130	690 B A Oil. 23	22½	22½	1,200 Murphy .04	.04	.04	1,200 Murphy .04	.04	.04
130 C B Fp. 19½	19½	19½	135 C B Pack. 19½	19½	19½	500 Newbec 8.65	8.65	8.50	500 Newbec 8.65	8.65	8.50
895 Massey-Har 12½	12½	12½	80 Can Bread. 3	3	3	6,420 O'Brien G. 9.65	9.65	9.50	6,420 O'Brien G. 9.65	9.65	9.50
596 McF-Cron. 9½	9½	9½	170 Do pf. 19½	19½	19½	7,800 Pandora .58	.58	.53	7,800 Pandora .58	.58	.53
2 M Coll. pf. 105	105	105	22 C B Brew. 9	9	9	900 Parmour .25	.25	.25	900 Parmour .25	.25	.25
3,831 Mont Pow. 30	29½	29½	25 Can Drge. 44	44	44	10,168 Parkhill .30	.30	.25	10,168 Parkhill .30	.30	.25
62 Mont. Tele. 63	63	63	23 Can Int. In 3	3	3	825 Pato .22½	.22½	.22½	825 Pato .22½	.22½	.22½
66 Trans. 80	80	80	345 Can Malt. 37½	37	37	2,700 Pend Ore. 4.00	4.00	3.55	2,700 Pend Ore. 4.00	4.00	3.55
2,052 Nat. Brew. 19½	19½	19½	200 Dom Marc. 1.80	1.75	1.80	1,500 Perron .12.00	1.20	1.08	1,500 Perron .12.00	1.20	1.08
1,215 Nat Stl. Brew. 42	42	42	75 Can N Pwr pf 111	111	111	3,440 Pend. 4.00	4.00	3.50	3,440 Pend. 4.00	4.00	3.50
2,286 Noranda 63½	62½	62½	100 Can P & P pf 18½	18½	18½	2,750 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45	2,750 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45
5 50 Oliville ... 240½	240½	240½	340 Can Pick. 42	41	41	1,500 Big Miss. 45	45	45	1,500 Big Miss. 45	45	45
10 Otti Pow. 90	90	90	30 Do pf. 42	41	41	2,600 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45	2,600 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45
505 Pennmans. 62	62	62	110 Catelli pi. 11	11	11	1,750 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45	1,750 B'scilliac 4.45	4.45	4.45
174 Pow Corp. 23	23	23	210 City Gas... 80	80	80	1,700 Glendale 2.40	2.40	2.40	1,700 Glendale 2.40	2.40	2.40
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Canadian Stocks Rally Briskly, but Decline Later; Gold Shares Near Lows

AFTER beginning the week with slowly rising prices, Canadian stocks had another attack of nerves and dropped lower. Closing prices for the week under review were irregular with sharp losses in some of the mining shares. The decline in the closing days of the week, especially on this past Monday, was attributed to fresh war scares because of the Spanish-German incident.

Gold mining stocks were heavily sold as new rumors cropped up concerning a reduction in the United States price. Although President Roosevelt officially denied that there would be any reduction in the gold price, Canadian traders are still very wary when it comes to purchasing the shares of any gold mining enterprise.

Volume of trading was at very low levels and undoubtedly accounted for the depressed spirits in Canadian financial districts. In Toronto the number of shares sold last week dropped to the levels prevailing in the closing months of 1935. Business on the Toronto Stock Exchange during the week ended May 29 was only one-fifth as large as in the corresponding week of last year. Things were a little better in Montreal, as business during the latest calendar week was 27.5 per cent of the like week in 1936.

Building stocks ended the week about unchanged. Building Products was dull but firm around the 62 mark. Canadian Cement moved slightly higher, but its activity indicated that it has lost all of the "board room" interest it held a few weeks ago. Canadian Dredge, which had been a special favorite in the preceding week, was inactive, but it managed to hold a good part of its recent ten-point rise. Gypsum, Foundation and other favorites in the building group did better than the general averages, but were not frequent visitors on the tape.

Paper securities held firm. They enjoyed a smart rally in the closing days of last week, but later succumbed to the selling which swept the entire list. Bathurst A was steady around 18. Fraser, Howard Smith and Price Brothers were

irregular, but showed considerable resistance to any selling. Both classes of Abitibi were uncertain, but the preferred did better than the junior shares. St. Lawrence improved about a point, but little interest could be stimulated in the stock. The senior shares of the paper unit lost the vigor they had in the preceding week.

In spite of the favorable statistics released, utility shares were unable to

sell. Commerce and Bank of Canada were stagnant. Bank of Montreal clung to the 235 line.

Oil stocks were a target for the bears. Selling predominated in the group during most of the week, but on the whole losses were not large. International Petroleum lost about 2 points before reaching any support. British American Oil was soft, as was Imperial. McCall Frontenac bucked the trend and im-

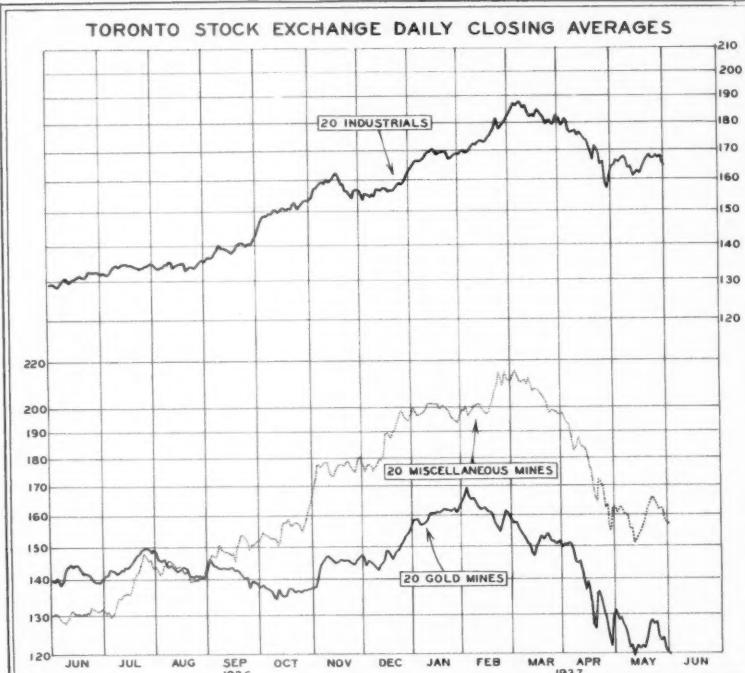
proved. Products entering free, but not so bound by the agreement, increased by \$2,000,000. Improving economic conditions in the United States largely accounted for the increased importation of the duty-free industrial materials.

Automobile Production—Finally revised statistics for 1936 show that automobile production in Canada totaled 162,159 units valued at \$95,955,204 at factory prices compared with 172,877 vehicles at \$99,013,047 in 1935. The decline from 1935 was about 6 per cent in number and 3 per cent in value. Included in the 1936 production was 128,369 passenger cars worth \$76,814,258 and 33,790 trucks worth \$19,140,946. Including repair parts, accessories and other products made in automobile factories the output was valued at \$105,350,035 in 1936 as against \$106,624,445 in 1935.

Sales and Financing of Motor Vehicles—Retail sales of new motor vehicles during April recorded a decline of 4.5 per cent as compared with the corresponding month last year, and the increase over the previous month was less than normal for the season. There were 19,909 new vehicles sold for \$19,950,115 during the latest month compared with 16,302 at \$16,421,816 in March and 20,845 at \$21,161,190 for April, 1936. Cumulative totals for the first four months of 1937 showed considerable increases over the corresponding period last year, there being a gain of 31.3 per cent in number and 29.1 per cent in amount. The number of new vehicles sold was 57,276 at \$57,746,495 as against 43,630 at \$44,712,953.

There were 21,178 motor vehicles financed for \$9,044,091 during April as compared with 13,963 vehicles financed for \$5,942,019 in the previous month and 17,156 at \$7,165,175 during the same month of 1936. The number of new vehicles financed during the month under review was 7,203 with a financed value of \$5,008,159; used vehicles numbered 13,975 financed for a total of \$4,035,932. During the first four months of the year, a gain of 38.9 per cent in number and 43 per cent in value is indicated in the financing of motor sales in comparison with the same period of 1936.

Bank Debits to Individual Accounts—The dollar volume of business in the form of bank debits showed a gain of nearly 22 per cent in April over the same month of last year and 3 per cent over the previous month. The total in the latest month was \$3,376,200,450 against



get anywhere and for the most part lost more than did the industrials. Beauharnois and Power Corporation were fractionally lower. Brazilian, after last week's nice performance, lost more than a point, but closed over 23. Montreal Tramways was dull but steady. Shawinigan slipped a point rather easily.

It was the gold mining stocks that took the brunt of last week's selling. Volume of trading in such stocks tended to rise with the liquidation and the entire group closed near the lows established during the second week in May. According to indices prepared by the Toronto Stock Exchange, gold stocks have declined from a high of more than 128 on May 22 to below 120 on the first of June. Miscellaneous mining stocks have also lost ground, but the decline has been less as measured in percentages. The latter group of mines has been aided by the favorable outlook for many non-ferrous metals, especially copper.

Steel stocks were lifeless. Dominion Bridge could not hold the 50 mark and moved into lower territory. Canadian Car and United Steel both lost fractionally. National Steel Car was a high spot by adding about a point to its 3-point gain of last week. Steel of Canada remained under 80 most of the time.

Beverage securities dropped more than did the general averages, but for no apparent reason with the exception that their best season is now behind them. Hiram Walker, which rose more than 3 points last week, lost some of its flavor and eased more than a point.

Bank stocks were dull, but inclined to hold any gains they may have made in the past week or more. Royal rose about 4 points before running into any

Toronto Stock Exchange DAILY CLOSING AVERAGES

	20 Industrials	20 Golds.	20 Misc. Mines.
May 26	167.23	127.75	163.47
May 27	168.69	124.31	161.88
May 28	167.72	123.04	162.47
May 29	168.00	123.77	160.51
May 31	165.42	120.28	158.14
June 1	164.55	119.81	157.62

SHARES SOLD

	Week Ended May 29, 1937.	May 30, 1936.
Monday	499,400	2,607,634
Tuesday	531,700	3,259,500
Wednesday	593,000	2,648,900
Thursday	557,600	2,086,800
Friday	184,500	1,079,800
Total	2,366,200	11,682,634

proved slightly. Royalite soared about 3 points in rather active trading for that issue, but later eased with the general list.

Canadian Business

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ports. Notable increases were recorded in imports of whisky, cattle (weighing 700 pounds or more), soft wood lumber, horses, cheddar cheese, certain fish, maple sugar and seed potatoes.

A decrease of almost \$3,500,000 occurred in imports of certain feedstuffs on which the existing rate of duty was bound against increase, namely, wheat unfit for human consumption and other grain by-product feeds, which had been imported during 1935 in exceptional quantities because of the drought of the preceding year. Drought conditions in Canada in 1936 also discouraged as large exports of Canadian feedstuffs as in 1935.

Imports from Canada of products, the rates on which were bound free by the agreement, increased by \$25,000,000, the increase being mainly in newsprint paper, various types of wood pulp, pulp woods, unmanufactured asbestos, nickel ore, matte and oxide and crude artificial

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\$2,773,756,280 a year ago and \$3,189,836,-520 the month before. Considerable acceleration was shown in the turnover of bank debits in April, the percentage of debits to deposits amounting to 142.5. This percentage compared with 126.3 in April, 1936, and 134.6 in March of the present year. The gain in the deposit liabilities of the banks was nearly 8 per cent during the last twelve months, while the gain in bank debits was 21.7 per cent.

Chemicals and Allied Products—The production of chemicals and allied products during 1936 was valued at \$125,702,725 or 6 per cent in advance of the previous year. In only one year has this total been exceeded, namely in 1929 when the record of \$138,545,281 was attained. But the general price level for chemicals and related products is now about 18 per cent lower than in 1929, and when allowance is made for this factor the calculation shows the 1936 value to be greater than in any other year.

Ontario Gold Output—The output of Ontario gold mines in April amounted to \$6,979,588, according to a report from the Department of Mines. The output in March was \$7,308,394 and it was \$6,646,735 in April, 1936. Tonnage milled in April was 675,814, against 692,742 in the preceding month and 616,493 a year ago. The forty-two producing mines turned out 199,219 ounces of gold and 32,619 of silver in April, compared with 208,328 ounces of gold and 61,742 of silver in March.

Although the major districts showed reduced production from the previous month, all reported improvement from the 1936 period. The Porcupine belt continued to lead, with production valued at \$3,072,697. Kirkland Lake mines reported \$2,911,285; Matachewan, \$144,729, and Northwestern Ontario, \$850,877.

Financial News

Abitibi Power and Paper Company—A new plan for reorganization of the company has been offered to the liquidator by Harrison & Co., investment dealers, of Toronto. The offer is independent of other attempts to terminate the present receivership.

Under the plan, holders of common shares would be given warrants to buy convertible debentures to raise \$10,663,546 of new money for the company. The debentures would be underwritten by Harrison & Co., who would buy any of the debentures not taken up by shareholders.

Argonaut Mining Company, Ltd., reports for the four months to April 30 net loss of \$17,686, as compared with a profit of \$76,643 a year ago.

Brazilian Traction, Light and Power Company, Ltd.—Net earnings of the company in April were reported as \$1,710,162, an increase of \$328,831 from April, 1936. Gross earnings were \$3,108,668, compared with \$2,515,337. Net earnings in the first four months of 1937 amounted to \$6,325,081, against \$5,349,860 in the same period last year.

The company has reported that after payment of \$23,604 in preferred dividends, there remained in 1936 a net profit of \$6,220,284, or 88½ cents a common share, against \$5,186,635, or 74 cents a share in 1935. The balance forward for the year was \$1,304,697.

Canadian National Railways—An increase of \$2,014,627 in gross operating revenues for April, 1937, as compared with April, 1936, and an increase of \$6,712,045 in gross operating revenues for the first four months of the present year, is shown in the monthly statement of the road.

For the four months of the present year operating revenues were \$62,033,587, against \$55,321,542 for the similar period of last year. Operating expenses up to April 30 of this year were \$57,467,076, compared with \$53,789,495 for the corresponding period of 1936.

Dalhousie Oil Company, Ltd. (controlled by Imperial Oil, Ltd., through the Royaltite Oil Company, Ltd.) reports for 1936 net income of \$10,480 before depletion, as compared with a net loss of \$4,670 in 1935.

Dominion Stores, Ltd., reports for the four weeks ended May 15, 1937, sales of \$1,515,533, as against \$1,517,152 in the corresponding week of last year. Sales for the twenty weeks ended May 15 amounted to \$7,540,583, as compared with \$7,408,977 in the corresponding period of last year.

Dryden Paper Company, Ltd., reports

for the six months to March 31 net income of \$68,995 before depreciation, as compared with \$11,787 in the corresponding period of last year.

Empire Star Mines Company, Ltd., reports for 1936 net income of \$1,137,544, as against \$1,341,292 for 1935.

International Nickel of Canada—The tonnage of the company is now averaging 14,300 daily, the largest on record. It compares with last year's daily average of 11,800 and 5,500 in 1929. The current tonnage is equal to the aggregate of Canada's six largest gold mines. Nickel production is running at 195,000,000 to 200,000,000 pounds a year, compared with sales last year of 169,000,000 pounds. International Nickel is employing 10,200 men.

Ventures, Ltd.—New shares were posted for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange Saturday, May 29, and old shares were removed at the same time. Ticker abbreviation remains VR.

New listing covers the authorized capital of 2,000,000 no par value shares for which Supplementary Letters Patent were issued May 29. At present the company has an authorized 10,000,000 no par value shares, of which 7,869,755 are outstanding. Old stock will be exchangeable into new on a five-for-one basis. The consolidation plan was enacted by directors on March 25 last and approved by shareholders at a meeting April 22.

Week Ended

Transactions on the Toronto Stock Exchange

Saturday, May 29

CANADIAN STOCKS
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STOCK EXCHANGE, STOCKS			STOCK EXCHANGE, STOCKS				
Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
2,742 Abitibi ... 7%	94	7%	.10	180 Can Stm pf ... 6%	6%	6%	.10
2,281 Do 6% pf ... 66	62%	65½		10 Can W ... 50	59	59	
10,250 Acme Gas ... 14	12	12		25 Do B ... 25	25	25	
4,500 Afton ... .05	.04	.04		104 Can Bk ... 199	197½	198½	
900 Ajax O&G ... .38	.38	.38		555 Can Can ... 9	8½	8½	
11 A P Grain ... 5	5	5		25 Do A ... 19%	19%	19%	
75 Do pf ... 29	27½	28		9,900 Goodyear ... 15½	12	13	
9,000 A P Cons ... .39	.34	.36		50 Goodyear ... 90	90	90	
15,115 Aldermar ... 1.18	1.05	1.07		196 Do pf ... 55	53½	55	
4,800 Alexandria ... 0.22	.02%	.02%		2,800 Grah Bous ... 20	18½	18½	
1,731 Alredge ... 5.75	6.00	6.00		1,600 Granada ... 23	22	22	
4,000 Am Cy ... 31½	31½	31		2,000 Grandoro ... .09	.07½	.07½	
5,421 Argosy ... .68	.68	.68		647 Gr Lak pap ... 21½	20	21½	
1,400 Arntfield ... 50	50	50		1,600 Grap ... 44	42	44	
2,100 Ashley ... .08½	.08½	.08½		4,100 Grana ... .82	.80	.80	
53,700 Astoria ... .14	.11	.11½		422 Gypsum ... 15½	15	15	
25 Bank Can ... .58	.58	.58		500 Haier Swa ... 3	3	3	
7,225 Bagamac ... 30	28	30		440 Hanco ... 3½	2%	2%	
109 Bank Mont ... 232	232	236½		180 Can Stm pf ... 6%	6%	6%	
17,421 Bankfield ... 1.10	1.00	1.00		30 Can Oil ... 11	11	11	
17 Blk N S ... 328	328	328		5 Do pf ... 118	118	118	
2 Bank Tor ... 255	255	255		405 Can Br pf ... 19%	18½	18½	
225 Barker Bd ... 14½	14½	14½		6,510 Con'rum ... 1.20	1.10	1.22	
5,050 Base Met ... 40	33	33		31,200 Homestead ... 46	40½	42½	
882 Bas P ... 1.04	1.04	1.04		6,900 Howey ... 37½	37	37	
1,870 Beattie Gld ... 1.30	1.16	1.16		12 Hur & Erie ... 85	85	85	
235 Beaupre ... 17½	17½	17½		196 Imp Bank ... 235	230	230	
235 Beauharnois ... 7½	6½	6½		7,138 Imp Oil ... 22	21½	21%	
235 Bell Phone ... 168	168	168		270 Imp Trd or ... 14%	14%	14%	
35,817 Bidgood K ... 65	65	65		10,405 Inv Nickel ... 61	60	60½	
410 Bankfield ... 1.10	1.00	1.00		6,080 Int Pet ... 36½	36½	36½	
17 Blk N S ... 328	328	328		900 Int Util B ... 180	165	175	
2 Blk ... 11	11	11		9,500 Jack Waite ... 94	94	94	
5,250 Bobo ... .17	.14	.15		80 Nat Sew A ... 19%	19%	19%	
3,190 Bralorne ... 7.23	6.90	7.00		9,000 Newbay ... 44	.38	.37	
98 Brdng Co ... 252	252	252		10 Que Mining ... 42	.42	.42	
17,975 Brazil ... 232	232	24½		145 M Knit pf ... 67	67	67	
29 Br & Dist ... 7½	7½	7½		13,191 Monetta ... 1.50	1.38	1.40	
1,497 B A Oil ... 23	22½	22½		725 Moon C ... 4½	4½	4½	
50 B C Fw ... 8½	8½	8½		1,063 Morris Kirin ... 41	35	35	
20 Blk ... 20	20	24		9,600 Murphy ... 04	.03½	.03½	
3,100 Br Dom Oil ... 24	20	24		375 Nat Groc ... 94	94	94	
1,040 Buff Ank ... 9.75	9.50	9.70		80 Nat Sew C ... 100	.38	.37	
5,500 Buff Ank ... .03½	.03½	.03½		219 Steel Can ... 804	.79	.79	
100 Build Prod ... 63½	62	62		9,800 Newbay ... 04	.03	.04	
6,120 Bunting Hill ... 13	.14	.14		10 Stuart Oil ... 16	16	16	
322 Burring St ... 17½	15	15		1,415 Sud Basin ... 4.30	4.00	4.00	
200 Burring Bisc ... 5½	5½	5½		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
10 Burt F N ... 40	40	40		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
47,525 Calg Ed ... 2.45	2.95	2.95		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
19,585 Can Alum ... 7	6½	6½		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
6 Do A Bread ... 101	101	101		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
11 Do pf ... 103	103	103		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
15 Can N Pw ... 21	21	21		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
40 Can Pack ... 85½	85	85		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
50 Can P Mor ... 160	155	155		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	
23,000 Gillies L ... 47	.42	.42		1,200 Chipping ... 2.50	2.40	2.40	

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Financial News of the Week

SHARPLY higher sales of electricity were the main reason why the majority of utility companies were able to earn more money in the first quarter of this year than they did in the corresponding period of 1936. Combined net profits of eleven leading companies, after adjustment for seasonal variation, amounted to \$46,197,000, an increase of 15.6 per cent over the first quarter of last year. In spite of the very high level of electric output, increased wages, material costs and taxes combined with lower rates have cut heavily into the net profits of utility companies. Even in the initial quarter of 1932, which was the bottom of the trough for most industrial profits, these eleven companies were able to earn almost \$52,000,000.

Power production in the first four months of this year amounted to about 40,000,000,000 kilowatt hours, a gain of 12.3 per cent over the same months in 1936. Utility earnings, however, rose approximately 16 per cent in the first quarter of this year. Under more normal circumstances, and in almost any other industry, a gain of 12 per cent in sales from such a high level should produce more than a gain of 16 per cent in net income. The reasons for this divergence are given elsewhere in this issue.

The Ohio River flood and a mild winter joined hands to force the gross revenues of Columbia Gas and Electric Corporation in the first quarter of this year under the levels of the initial quarter in 1936. The result was a sharp drop in net income partly because of increased expenses in order to restore service in flooded areas.

Earnings of the company in the three months ended March amounted to \$2,821,000, after adjustment for seasonal variation, as compared with \$3,568,000 in the preceding quarter and \$4,051,000 in the initial quarter of 1936.

Last year total revenues of the company amounted to almost \$91,000,000, the highest since 1930 and an increase of 12.3 per cent over 1935. Net income, on the other hand, totaled \$13,223,000, or about 10 per cent higher than in the preceding year. More detailed figures are given in Table I.

Seasonally adjusted profits of the Consolidated Edison Company of New York in the first quarter of this year amounted to \$9,502,000, as compared with \$9,339,000 in the final three months of last year and \$8,393,000 in the first quarter of 1936. Earnings of the consolidated enterprise have shown more stability than those of the parent company, as can easily be seen on the accompanying chart.

Total revenues of the company for all of last year rose a little more than 1 per

TABLE II. CONSOLIDATED EDISON
(Thousands)

Quarters Ended—	Total Revenue.	Net Income.	Earned Share.
March 31:	\$64,543	\$12,757	\$0.88
1936	64,953	14,443	1.00
1937			
June 30:	56,421	8,849	0.54
1936	56,008	8,187	0.48
Sept. 30:	49,966	3,097	0.04
1936	51,856	5,963	0.29
Dec. 31:	60,130	8,523	0.51
1936	62,338	9,825	0.69

cent to about \$235,000,000. Net income, however, increased more than 11 per cent to reach \$37,299,152, or \$2.34 a common share after allowance for preferred dividends. In 1935 common-share earnings were \$2.01.

Consolidated Edison recently petitioned the New York Public Service Commission for a permit to issue additional

shares of its own \$5 preferred stock in exchange for New York Steam Corporation preferred stocks. In the petition the company stated that by taking up the minority interest in New York

Steam it could put into effect substantial savings and bring about a closer relationship between Consolidated Edison and New York Steam.

Table II shows operating figures for

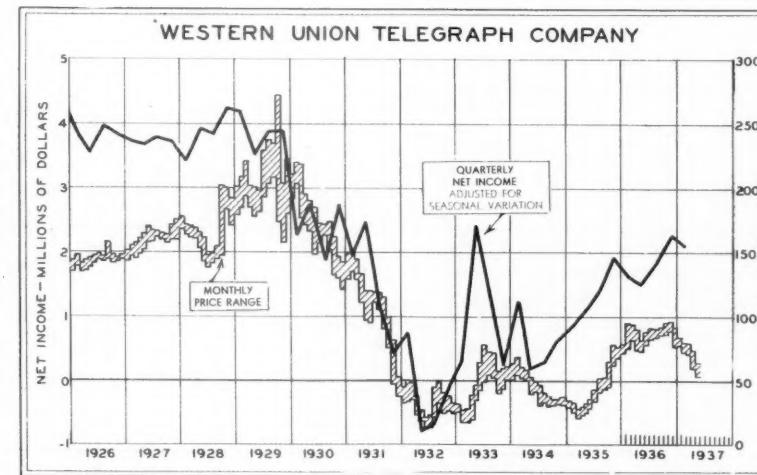
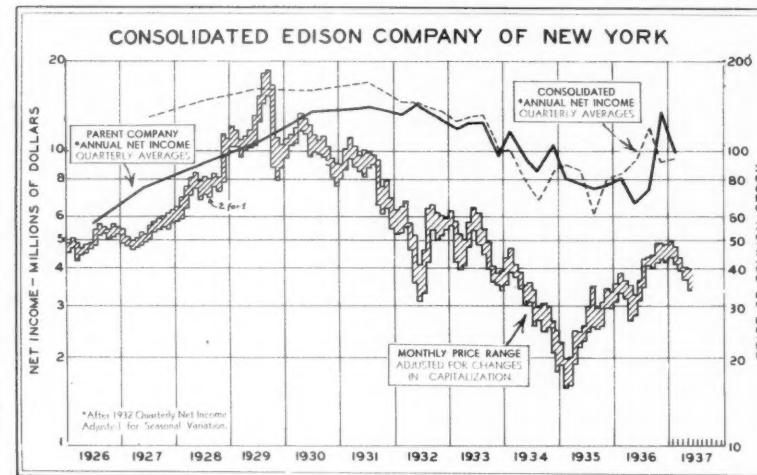
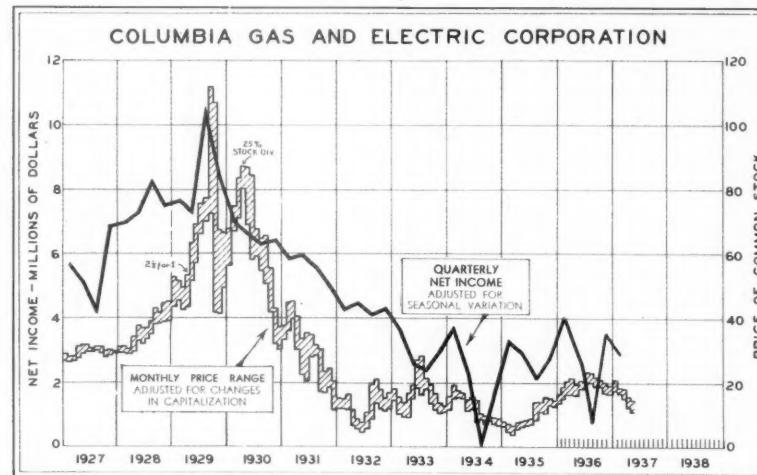


Table I. Columbia Gas and Electric Corporation

Years Ended Dec. 31:	Gross Revenues	Operating Expenses	Total Income	Fixed Charges	Times Earned	Net Income	Earned Share for Year	Com. Surplus
1929	\$100,325	\$54,855	\$40,994	\$8,823	4.61	\$32,161	\$2.49	\$9,533
1930	96,130	55,630	35,533	8,987	3.95	26,499	1.76	d1,125
1931	89,404	52,213	33,663	11,284	2.98	22,332	1.42	d5,312
1932	79,155	45,957	29,203	11,968	2.44	17,205	0.96	11,120
1933	74,453	45,391	24,138	11,570	2.00	12,497	0.51	5,940
1934	77,428	49,671	21,582	12,019	1.82	9,793	0.25	2,941
1935	81,169	49,818	24,163	12,116	1.99	11,944	0.43	2,658
1936	90,885	56,199	24,753	11,448	2.16	13,223	0.53	1,585

*Both parent company and subsidiaries but not including minority interests or notes. d Deficit.

recent quarters. Yearly data back to 1927 was published in THE ANNALIST of June 7, 1935.

On an increase of but 11 per cent in gross revenues during the first quarter of this year the Western Union Telegraph Company was able to boost net income almost 50 per cent. Gross amounted to about \$25,650,000, as compared with \$23,060,000. Net profit soared to \$1,444,372, or \$1.38 a common share, as contrasted with earnings equal to 92 cents a share in the first quarter of 1936.

Table III gives operating data by quarters for the last two years.

TABLE III. WESTERN UNION

Quarters Ended—	Gross Revenue.	Net Income.	Earned Share
March 31:	\$23,060,859	\$964,686	\$0.92
1936	25,648,625	1,444,372	1.38
June 30:	23,232,347	1,695,639	1.62
1936	24,920,614	2,090,458	2.00
Sept. 30:	23,119,808	1,515,164	1.45
1936	25,516,052	1,955,302	1.87
Dec. 31:	22,314,911	1,843,175	1.76
1936	24,922,694	2,188,674	2.10

In spite of the improved earnings being shown by most utilities, stock prices have moved downward. At present utility stocks, as measured by The Annalist Weighted Averages, are the lowest since the end of 1935. Since the utility stocks reached their high in the early part of this year they have lost more than 25 per cent, as compared with a decline in the general averages of roughly 15 per cent.

INDUSTRIALS

Figures in Parentheses Give Date of Last Previous Item

Allied Kid Company (3-5-37)—Stockholders have voted to simplify the capital structure by eliminating all classes of stock other than the authorized 300,000 shares of \$5 par value common stock.

Anchor Post Fence Company (9-20-35)—Upon surrender of the company's first closed-mortgage 6½ per cent gold bonds dated May 15, 1927, to the Chase National Bank, New York City, holders of bonds with the Nov. 15, 1934, and subsequent coupons attached may receive the new registered first closed-mortgage 5 per cent income bonds issued pursuant to the plan of reorganization.

The successor corporate trustee under the company's deed of trust is inviting tenders to sell to it the new registered first closed-mortgage 5 per cent income bonds at a percentage of the principal amount without interest. Tenders, to exhaust the \$12,300 now on deposit for the purpose, must be received by noon of June 22.

B. F. Avery & Sons (4-2-37)—The company has filed a statement with the SEC covering \$1,000,000 of 5 per cent, ten-year sinking fund notes of 1937. 34,750 shares of \$25 par 6 per cent cumulative preferred and 109,500 shares of \$5 par common, to be reserved for the exercise of warrants attached to the notes and preferred stock.

Buffalo, Idaho Mining Company—The company has filed a statement with the SEC covering 730,000 shares of 25-cent par value common stock, of which 500,000 shares are to be offered at 25 cents a share by the issuer; 50,000 optioned to underwriters at 25 cents a share by certain stockholders and 180,000 assigned to underwriters as part compensation. Proceeds would be used for mill, machinery, equipment and working capital.

Dayton Rubber Manufacturing Company (8-16-35)—The company has filed a statement with the SEC covering 25,000 shares of no-par common to be offered at the market. The proceeds are to be used for meeting bank loans, plant additions, equipment and working capital.

Interchemical Corporation (4-23-37)—The company, formerly the International Printing Ink Corporation, has proposed to the Standard Textile Products Company a substantial investment by Interchemical in Standard Textile, as reorganized.

This proposal, which has been approved by the directors of Standard Textile Products, will be submitted to the latter's stockholders and to the Federal court for approval, and will be made a part of a reorganization which calls for the formation of a new company to acquire the assets of Standard Textile Products and

to assume its liabilities other than funded debt.

The preferred and common shares of the present company will be exchangeable at fixed ratios for common stock of the new company, while the funded debt will be exchangeable for cash, preferred stock and common stock of the new company.

Kimberly-Clark Corporation (5-28-37) — Stockholders will meet on June 19 to vote on the issuance of \$10,000,000 of new bonds, to be placed privately. The proceeds will be used to retire \$5,116,000 of first mortgage 5 per cent bonds and to provide for expansion and additional working capital.

Lionel Corporation — The company has filed with the SEC a registration statement covering a proposed issue of 77,500 shares of \$10-par common stock at \$12 a share, for a total cash value of \$930,000.

Liquid Carbonic Corporation — A special meeting of stockholders has been called for June 15 to vote on a plan to increase the authorized capital shares from 400,000 to 1,200,000 shares to provide for a two-for-one split-up of the 350,000 shares now outstanding and for the sale of a new issue of \$3,500,000 of convertible debentures.

Funds to be derived from the proposed financing will be used to retire \$2,780,000 bank loans and to increase working capital.

Net sales for the six months ended on March 31 show an increase over last year of 40 per cent.

New York Dock Company — Stockholders have approved the company's plan of recapitalization proposing the issuance of new 5 per cent notes due 1947 in exchange for present notes, the new notes to be convertible into stock at the rate of twenty preferred shares and fourteen common shares for each \$1,000 of notes.

After the ballots on the plan had been voted, Benjamin A. Javits, representing some preferred stockholders, said that while he would not vote he wanted it to appear on the record that the proceedings were invalid because the resolutions on the ballot were not in conformity with the notice of the plan.

There are 100,000 preferred shares and 70,000 common shares outstanding. The votes announced yesterday were 77,566 preferred and 49,324 common shares in favor of the plan, with no dissenting votes cast. The meeting adjourned until June 29 at 10:30 A. M. to provide for contingencies that might arise with respect to the certificate of incorporation of the company which has been changed by the recapitalization plan.

North American Car Corporation (7-10-36) — The company has filed a registration statement with the SEC covering \$1,100,000 of 4½ per cent equipment trust certificates, Series P. Proceeds are to be used for new tank cars and remodeling refrigerator cars.

Oliver Farm Equipment Company (5-21-37) — The company has filed a statement with the SEC covering 68,018 shares of no par value common stock. Proceeds are to be used for repayment of bank loans, capital improvements and working capital.

Phelps Dodge Corporation (5-28-37) — The company in a letter to stockholders stated that the proposed issue of \$20,285,000 of 3½ per cent debentures will be convertible at the option of the holders at any time into the capital stock of the company at \$50 a share. The debentures are to be offered to stockholders on the basis of \$4 principal amount of the debentures for each share of stock held. The company further stated that the conversion price will be subject to adjustment in certain events under the indenture.

Shenandoah Rayon Corporation — Stockholders have approved a plan to reclassify the outstanding preferred stock, eliminate arrears thereon and change the common stock from no par value to \$5 par value. The vote was 81 per cent of the common stock and 77 per cent of the preferred stock, with no dissenting votes cast.

Veeder Root Corporation (4-23-37) — The company has filed a registration statement with the SEC covering 25,000 shares of no par value common stock to be offered to stockholders at \$40 a share, the net proceeds to be used for land, plant additions, machinery, equipment and working capital.

Warner Quinlan Company (5-14-37) — The trustees of the company, which is in reorganization proceedings, have recommended approval of a plan to recast the company before John E. Joyce, special master, in the Federal Building. Under the plan the Cities Service Company would purchase the company's gasoline service stations and subordinate \$7,820,000 claims to those of other creditors. Also the trustees would drop a damage suit against Cities Service.

White Sewing Machine (5-21-37) — The plants of the company have been closed by a stay-in strike called by the United Electrical and Radio Workers Union following a dispute over wage rates. Approximately 500 men are affected.

Worthington Pump and Machinery (5-28-37) — The company has offered to its preferred stockholders an exchange of two new series of a new cumulative prior-preferred stock and additional shares of com-

mon stock, for which a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission has become effective.

For each share of present Class A preferred stock, the holder can have one-half share of convertible prior preferred stock, one-half share of non-convertible prior preferred stock and 1 1/5 shares of common stock, and for each share of Class B preferred stock the holder may obtain one-half share of convertible prior preferred stock, one-half share of non-convertible prior preferred stock and three-quarters of a share of common stock.

These offers are conditioned upon acceptances large enough to justify the board of directors, in its sole discretion, in declaring the plan effective, but the plan will be declared in force in any event if the holders of 90 per cent of each class of preferred stock accept the offer. Holders who accept the offer are being asked to submit their stock for stamping with an endorsement evidencing such acceptance.

RAILROADS

Alleghany Corporation (5-14-37) — Robert R. Young, head of the syndicate now in control of the 23,000-mile Van Sweringen network of railroads and other industries, testified before the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce last week that the company, top holding unit of the Van Sweringen system, will be eliminated from the set-up within a few weeks. With the going of the Alleghany, the Chesapeake Corporation will become the "first-degree holding company" of the system, Mr. Young said.

Ultimately it is the hope of those now in control of the system to eliminate all holding companies as well as wholly owned subsidiaries, Mr. Young stated, but this will require many years. It may be ten years, he said, before it is possible to eliminate the Chesapeake Corporation.

In the opinion of Mr. Young and his associates, legislation at this time to outlaw railroad holding companies would obstruct the orderly elimination of holding companies within the Van Sweringen system. Mr. Young said that the new owners, in eliminating the Alleghany, will have made a step in the right direction, which, if it depended on legislation, would require months, if not years, to accomplish.

Present laws can take care of the situation, Mr. Young stated. He said that laws, particularly the tax laws, make practically impossible the building up of

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CORPORATE NET EARNINGS INDUSTRIALS

Company	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.
Allied Mills, Inc.:				
g9 mo. Mar. 31. \$1,638,819	\$.....	\$1,85	...	...
American Safety Razor Corp.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... 287,181	291,538	.55	.56	...
American Window Glass Co.:				
36 wk. May 7. 687,625	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brillo Manufacturing Co.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... 62,239	62,107	.34	.34	...
Brown Shoe Co., Inc.:				
6 mo. Apr. 30. 393,631	230,959	h1.58	h.93	...
Casco Products Corp.:				
2 mo. Apr. 30. 60,597	35,925	.35	.21	...
Chicago Yellow Cab:				
Mar. 31 qr.... *95,802	171,663	.43	...	...
Dayton Rubber Mfg. Co.:				
Nov. 1, '36 to Feb. 26, 1937. 201,229	.....	.....	.....	...
Equitable Office Bldgs. Corp.:				
Yr. April 30... 288,476	275,575	.33	.32	...
General Outdoor Advert. Co.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... *256,606	*256,934	...	...	...
Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co.:				
Yr. Feb. 28... 17,084,622 16,563,252	7.31	7.08	...	...
Hall (W. F.) Printing Co.:				
Yr. Mar. 31... 701,523	*13,200	1.79	...	...
Jacobs (F. L.) Co.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... 286,656	.....	.93	...	...
Interstate Hosiery Mills:				
Mar. 31 qr.... x150,162	.....	.....	.....	...
Lee Rubber & Tire Corp.:				
6 mo. Apr. 30. 473,277	101,297	1.83	.39	...
Lefcourt Realty Corp.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... *17,152	*47,147	...	...	...
Lion Oil Refining Co. and Subs.:				
4 mo. Apr. 30. \$305,290	115,806	...	...	...
Morris (Philip) & Co., Ltd., Inc.:				
Yr. Mar. 31... 3,573,617	2,408,105	h6.88	h5.80	...
North American Can Corp.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... 53,603	.....	.....	.....	...
Pierce Oil Corp.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... *28,286	.....	.....	.....	...
Pierce Petroleum Corp.:				
Mar. 31 qr.... *136,843	*19,401	...	...	...

Company	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.	Company	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.
Smith (A. O.) Corp.:			Southwestern Light & Power Co.:		
g12 mo. Apr. 30. 49,719	831,748	h10 h1.64	Mar. 31 qr.... 115,393	148,957	...
Standard Oil Co. of Kansas:			Standard Gas & Elec. Co.:		
Mar. 31 qr.... 113,489	46,876	h.84	Mar. 31 qr.... 1,746,570	1,380,038	...
Todd Shipyards Corp.:			12 mo. Mar. 31. 4,425,095	2,505,602	...
Yr. Mar. 31... 1,421,063	787,304	6.88	Tampa Electric Co.:		
U. S. Distributing Corp.:			12 mo. Apr. 30. 1,412,430	1,321,559	...
Mar. 31 qr.... 159,195	35,087	1.59	Tennessee Electric Power Co.:		
Vick Chemical Co.:			g12 mo. Apr. 30. 2,324,848	2,194,506	...
Mar. 31 qr.... 941,244	1,016,784	1.34	Third Avenue Railway System:		
1936. 1935.	1936. 1935.	1.45	10 mo. Apr. 30. *127,360	*167,871	...
Dow Chemical Co.:			Texas Power & Light Co.:		
7 mo. Dec. 31. 2,781,924	.....	2.85	12 mo. Mar. 31. 2,060,903	1,893,074	...
Mountain Producers Corp.:			United Gas Corp.:		
Yr. Dec. 31... 985,007	753,047	.62	Mar. 31 qr.... 4,439,578	3,990,776	.27
1936. 1935.	1936. 1935.	.47	12 mo. Mar. 31. 6,758,580	6,758,580	.21

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Company	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.	Company	Net Income 1937.	Com. Share Earnings 1936.
Alabama Power Co.:			Utah Power & Light Co. & Subs.:		
g12 mo. Apr. 30. 3,965,421	3,120,050	...	12 mo. Mar. 31. 1,528,605	745,782	...
Amer. & Foreign Power Co. and Subs.:			1936. 1935.	1936. 1935.	
Mar. 31 qr.... 1,746,916	1,093,087	...	Brazilian Tr. Lt. & Pwr. Co., Ltd.:		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 5,714,274	3,548,073	...	Yr. Dec. 31... 6,243,884	5,210,238	.84
American Power & Light Co.:			Manila Electric Co.:		
3 mo. Apr. 30. 3,429,691	3,020,967	.34	Yr. Dec. 31... 790,454	833,078	...
12 mo. Apr. 30. 10,739,711	8,759,787	.36 q4.04	New Orleans & Northeastern R. R.:		
American Power & Lt. and Subs.:			Yr. Dec. 31... 44,967	*178,474	...
Mar. 31 qr.... 3,356,105	3,330,806	.31	Utilities P. & Lt. and Subs.:		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 10,424,087	8,526,797	.25 q4.81	Yr. Dec. 31... *3,006,160	*1,923,019	...
Arkansas Power & Light:			RAILROADS		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 1,308,678	956,146	...	1937. 1936. 1937. 1936.		
Associated Telephone Co., Ltd.:			Chesapeake Corp.:		
g12 mo. Apr. 30. 589,079	.....	...	Mar. 31 qr.... 1,909,038	11,798,314	...
Birmingham Electric Co.:			Chi., Burl. & Quincy R. R.:		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 693,104	286,345	...	4 mo. Apr. 30. 881,616	344,516	.51
Commonwealth & Southern Corp.:			Detroit, Toledo & Ironton R. R.:		
g4 mo. Apr. 30. 5,938,052	4,159,833	.08	4 mo. Apr. 30. 917,941	887,904	...
g12mo. Apr. 30. 15,128,029	10,128,677	.18	Maine Central R. R.:		
Community Power & Light Co.:			4 mo. Apr. 30. 321,807	*336,919	2.11
12 mo. Apr. 30. 408,522	100,291	...	Norfolk & Western Rwy.:		
Consolidated Gas Utilities Corp.:			4 mo. Apr. 30. 10,571,178	9,594,094	7.30
3 mo. Apr. 30. 132,092	.....	.15	Pittston Co.:		
12 mo. Apr. 30. *84,882	.....	...	Mar. 31 qr.... *342,480	75,660	...
Consumers Power Co.:			St. Louis Southwestern Lines:		
g12 mo. Apr. 30. 9,676,311	8,138,964	...	4 mo. Apr. 30. *359,177	*147,683	...
Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates:			Virginia Rwy.:		
12 mo. Apr. 30. 12,074,984	2,889,854	...	4 mo. Apr. 30. 2,230,842	1,711,118	5.34
Eastern Utilities Associates:			Western Maryland Rwy.:		
12 mo. Apr. 30. 1,967,672	1,838,319	...	4 mo. Apr. 30. 832,713	462,509	.63
Electric Power & Light Corp.:			1936. 1935. 1936. 1935.		
Mar. 31 qr.... 3,285,054	2,568,474	.54	Georgia, Southern & Florida Rwy.:		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 8,466,265	3,164,214	.80 q4.11	Yr. Dec. 31... *160,334	*203,316	...
Engineers Public Service Co.:			*Net loss. tProfit before Federal income taxes. jNot available. a On Class A stock. c On combined Class A and Class B shares. g Report subject to audit and year-end adjustments. h On shares outstanding at close of respective periods. q On combined preferred stocks. s On second preferred stock. x Profit after charges and Federal income taxes, but before any provisions for Pennsylvania taxes or for Federal surtax on undistributed profits.		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 3,010,093	2,032,951	.36 q4.73	Florida Power & Light:		
Internat'l Hyd.-Elec. System:			12 mo. Mar. 31. 277,900	1,071,277	...
Mar. 31 qr.... 627,152	141,290	a.59	Louisiana & Arkansas Rwy.:		
12 mo. Mar. 31. 1,443,334	675,014	a.11	12 mo. Mar. 31. 98,774	173,086	...
Kansas City Power & Light Co.:			Louisiana Power & Light:		
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Central Arizona Light and Power Company
1937. 1936.
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 3,584,047 3,095,463
Net income..... 615,682 603,154

Community Power and Light Company
April gross..... 319,333 299,269
Gross income..... 101,244 87,726
Twelve months' gross. 4,116,467 3,801,950
Net income..... 408,522 100,291

Consumers Power Company
April gross..... 3,146,959 2,684,492
Net income..... 831,235 561,179
Twelve months' gross. 34,401,877 31,403,666
Net income..... 9,676,311 8,138,963

Dallas Power and Light
March gross..... 481,751 454,154
Net income..... 128,317 116,956
Twelve months' gross. 6,294,743 5,562,449
Net income..... 1,505,518 1,366,672

Eastern Utilities Associates
Twelve months ended April 30:
Gross 8,635,052 8,536,620
Net income..... 1,967,672 1,838,319

Florida Power and Light Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 12,792,200 11,651,050
Net income..... 1,498,095 904,548

Georgia Power Company
April gross..... 2,409,967 2,123,593
Net income..... 398,424 408,572
Twelve months' gross. 27,680,724 24,446,410
Net income..... 5,220,321 4,603,266

Idaho Power
March gross..... 381,844 339,969
Net income..... 94,337 65,986
Twelve months' gross. 4,864,538 4,419,750
Net income..... 1,181,623 1,125,199

Kansas Gas and Electric Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 5,934,741 5,480,323
Net income..... 1,277,900 1,071,277

Louisiana Power and Light
March gross..... 584,846 546,578
Net income..... 73,593 83,824
Twelve months' gross. 7,359,656 6,215,531
Net income..... 1,018,325 976,197

Minnesota Power and Light
March gross..... 520,326 473,177
Net income..... 138,443 88,389
Twelve months' gross. 6,356,721 5,736,233
Net income..... 1,298,836 1,062,399

Mississippi Power and Light
March gross..... 560,388 452,770
Net income..... 78,717 38,570
Twelve months' gross. 6,198,237 5,221,530
Net income..... 648,003 405,498

Montana Power Company and Subsidiaries
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 13,592,943 11,569,695
Net income..... 3,567,004 2,666,173

National Gas and Electric Corporation
April and twelve months:
April gross..... 94,209 83,768
Net after depreciation. 20,925 21,696
Twelve months' gross. 1,102,259 905,527
Net income..... 175,653 100,711

National Power and Light Company
and Subsidiaries
Twelve months ended Feb. 28:
Total operating revenue 79,221,811 73,035,428
Operating expenses and taxes..... 51,927,115 46,800,785
Gross income..... 27,283,779 26,210,906
Net equity of N. P. and L. in income of sub-sidiaries..... 8,882,656 7,720,127
Net income..... 7,409,916 6,222,816

The income account for the three months ended February:

Total operating revenue 21,408,630 19,794,975
Operating expenses and taxes..... 13,988,468 12,559,024
Gross income..... 7,412,623 7,203,237
Net equity of N. P. and L. in income of sub-sidiaries..... 2,847,888 2,601,175
Net income..... 2,505,745 2,214,863

Nebraska Power Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 7,060,217 6,914,064
Net income..... 1,791,131 2,038,381

New England Gas and Electric Association
and Subsidiaries
Twelve months ended March 31:
Total operating revenue 13,805,179 13,417,148
Net income..... 384,654 104,876

New Orleans Public Service
March gross..... 1,642,281 1,450,306
Net income..... 166,709 111,985
Twelve months' gross. 17,195,352 15,887,086
Net income..... 578,963 399,922

North American Edison Company
and Subsidiaries
Twelve months ended March 31:
Total operating revenue 96,221,907 89,824,060
Operating expenses..... 52,491,197 48,216,038
Gross income..... 44,103,065 41,772,492
Net income..... 12,082,260 9,743,584

Northwestern Electric Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 4,374,954 3,932,995
Net income..... 568,587 370,538

Ohio Edison Company
April gross..... 1,717,519 1,457,347
Net income..... 416,943 263,030
Twelve months' gross. 18,675,288 16,363,545
Net income..... 4,663,215 3,484,902

Pacific Power and Light Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 4,772,537 4,404,809
Net income..... 744,725 635,268

Portland Gas and Coke Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 3,340,460 3,267,015
Net income..... 187,337 15,131

Public Service Company of Oklahoma
1937. 1936.
Three months ended March 31:
Total operating revenue 1,449,345 1,342,956
Net income..... 296,861 342,228

Superior Water, Light and Power Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 974,047 938,457
Net income..... 111,330 128,590

Tennessee Electric Power Company
April gross..... 1,313,591 1,228,941
Net income..... 224,452 247,347
Twelve months' gross. 15,502,613 13,553,469
Net income..... 2,324,845 2,194,505

Texas Electric Service Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 7,655,579 6,897,822
Net income..... 1,392,389 1,115,957

Texas Power and Light
March gross..... 775,204 731,682
Net income..... 84,807 140,038
Twelve months' gross. 10,188,254 9,196,913
Net income..... 2,060,903 1,893,074

*After full interest deductions on 5 per cent adjustment income bonds.

Utah Power and Light
March gross..... 1,050,508 930,133
Net income..... 145,804 83,372
Twelve months' gross. 12,223,254 10,667,686
Net income..... 1,528,605 745,782

Washington Water Power Company
Twelve months to March 31:
Total operating revenue 10,229,487 8,998,667
Net income..... 2,537,876 2,621,140

American Gas and Electric Company
and Subsidiaries

Calendar years: 1936. 1935.

Total operating revenue 69,918,080 64,936,195
Net income..... 12,017,382 10,556,442

RAILROAD EARNINGS AND STATEMENTS

Alabama Great Southern
(Southern)

April gross..... \$646,983 \$521,683

Net operating income..... 134,540 66,417

Four months' gross. 2,509,238 1,969,951

Net operating income..... 474,657 231,886

Ann Arbor
(Wabash)

April gross..... 342,324 319,082

Net operating income..... 27,974 26,731

Four months' gross. 1,466,399 1,303,775

Net operating income..... 143,673 109,927

Atlantic Coast Line

April gross..... 4,816,375 4,042,656

Net operating income..... 709,535 468,177

Four months' gross. 19,677,222 16,606,581

Net operating income..... 3,444,717 2,052,001

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe

April gross..... 13,518,248 11,824,410

Net operating income..... 908,597 732,135

Four months' gross. 52,382,872 44,785,376

Net operating income..... 4,747,126 2,087,018

Baltimore & Ohio

April gross..... 15,086,048 13,568,619

Net operating income..... 2,426,767 2,636,471

Four months' gross. 58,342,169 56,842,024

Net operating income..... 9,488,721 7,162,399

Boston & Maine

April gross..... 4,166,477 3,822,854

Net operating income..... 675,319 *7,545

Surplus after charges..... 127,788 *562,011

Four months' gross. 16,243,046 14,516,442

Net operating income..... 2,776,110 *317,121

Surplus after charges..... 623,490 *2,472,092

Canadian National

April gross..... 17,056,398 15,041,711

Net after expenses..... 2,249,015 1,455,306

Four months' gross. 62,033,587 55,321,542

Net after expenses..... 4,566,511 3,532,048

Central of Georgia

April gross..... 1,547,641 1,298,721

Net operating income..... 203,321 100,520

Four months' gross. 6,018,951 5,106,115

Net operating income..... 678,454 224,253

Central of New Jersey

April gross..... 3,217,315 2,725,172

Net operating income..... 598,467 178,589

Four months' gross. 11,150,694 10,457,560

Net operating income..... 1,102,300 496,116

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy

April gross..... 7,596,541 7,051,198

Net operating income..... 410,539 109,774

Deficit after charges..... 300,994 587,534

Four months' gross. 31,730,589 29,415,463

Net operating income..... 3,740,138 3,102,016

Surplus after charges..... 881,616 344,516

Chicago & Eastern Illinois

April gross..... 1,282,665 1,230,156

Net operating income..... 16,065 58,535

Four months' gross. 5,601,050 5,226,931

Net operating income..... 636,855 336,044

Chicago Great Western

April gross..... 1,511,083 1,469,701

Net operating income..... 31,042 179,384

Four months' gross. 1,607,490 5,270,938

Net operating income..... 104,000 *136,197

Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville

April gross..... 803,015 841,790

Net operating deficit..... 54,172 14,944

Four months' gross. 3,561,655 3,376,044

Net operating income..... 77,975 143,917

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific

1937. 1936.
April gross..... 8,544,487 8,193,945

Net operating income..... 340,447 695,999

Four months' gross. 34,029,990 32,652,687

Net operating income..... 2,339,701 2,116,654

Chicago & North Western

April gross..... 7,104,428 6,588,568

Net operating deficit..... 298,185 498,761

Four months' gross. 27,256,323 26,053,852

Net operating deficit..... 1,069,507 1,324,675

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific

April gross..... 6,550,409 6,208,389

Net operating deficit..... 159,958 475,963

Four months' gross. 25,692,182 23,911,768

Net operating income..... 76,482 *1,414,889

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha

April gross..... 1,340,456 1,349,251

Net operating deficit..... 42,703 50,212

Four months' gross. 5,272,828 5,384,395

Net operating deficit..... 528,197 452,225

Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific

(Southern)

April gross..... 1,546,401 1,347,352

Net operating income..... 506,494 391,834

Four months' gross. 5,849,321 5,165,738

Net operating income..... 1,658,301 1,473,463

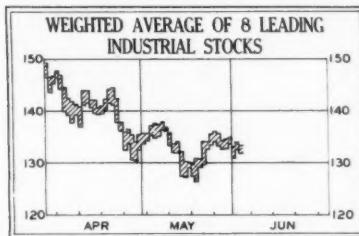
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Financial Markets: Strikes and War Fears Force Stocks Off in Dull Week

STOCK prices declined during the past week, apparently as a result of increased tension in the European situation and domestic labor troubles. Fluctuations in bond prices have been of minor proportions.

The week under consideration began on Friday with a very dull session in which the total volume of trading on the Stock Exchange was the smallest for a full session since April, 1935. Price changes were of little significance, rails remaining practically unchanged and industrials advancing only slightly.

Accumulated unfavorable news of the long week-end (the Stock Exchange being closed on both Saturday and Monday) produced a sharp break Tuesday which resulted in considerable losses for practically all major groups. The market as a whole opened down on Tuesday morning with a gap from Friday's lowest prices and declined abruptly during the first hour. Stocks resisted selling during the afternoon of Tuesday and recovered moderately on Wednesday.



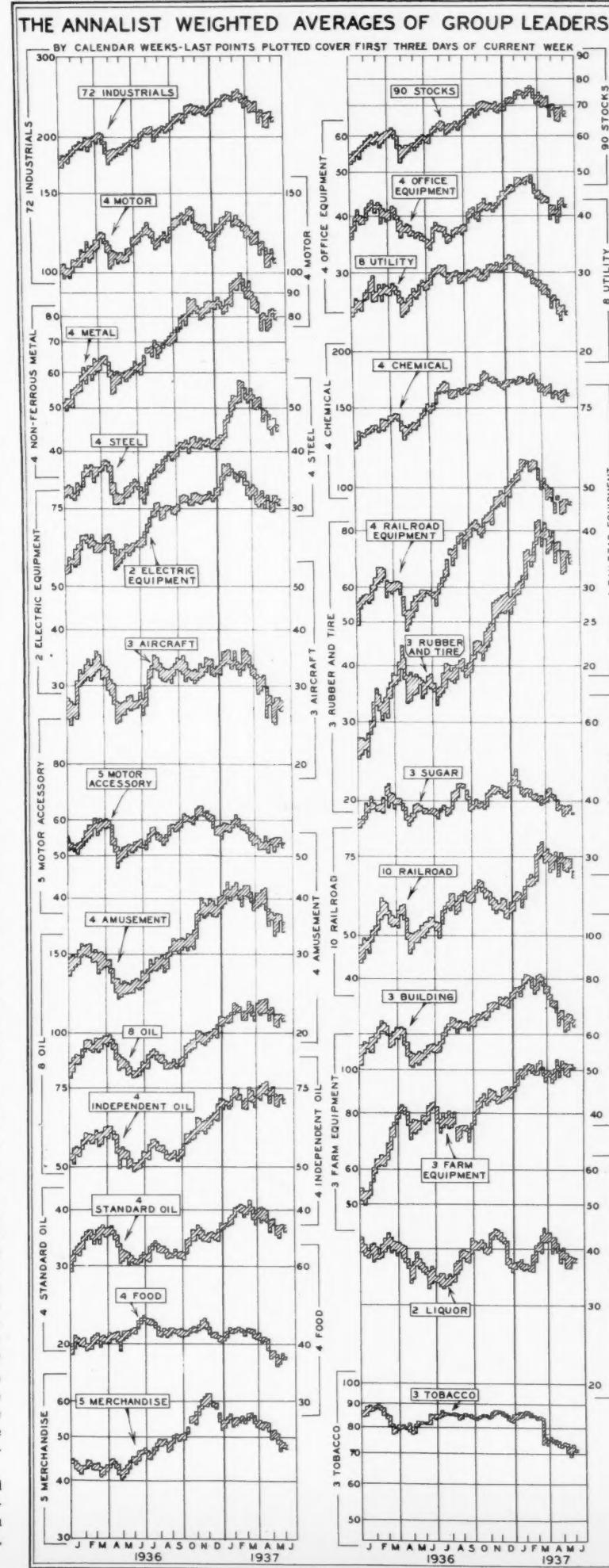
	High.	Low.	Last.
May 28.	134.9	133.8	134.4
May 29.	.....	.....	Exchange closed.
May 31.	.....	Holiday.	.....
June 1.	133.0	130.9	132.3
June 2.	134.0	132.6	132.8
June 3.	133.1	131.7	132.9

On Tuesday the volume of trading on the Stock Exchange increased to about 750,000 shares, a much smaller figure than would ordinarily be associated with a recession of similar proportions. Trading dried up again during Wednesday's feeble rally when volume was slightly less than that for Friday. On Thursday prices improved moderately, but with no revival of interest.

Probably a factor responsible for the recent weakness in stock prices has been the unfavorable turn in the Spanish war situation. The danger of increased hostilities produced rather sharp declines on European Stock Exchanges on Monday and, although a steady tendency was evident abroad on Tuesday, a substantial proportion of our decline was attributed to this development.

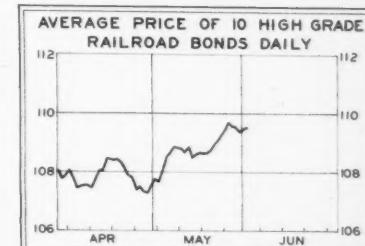
Another serious factor with respect to our security markets has been the continuance of the steel strike. This disturbance has been responsible for a sharp decline in the rate of steel production and is important, not only because of the possible adverse effect upon steel company earnings, but also because a protracted strike in this basic industry might have an unfavorable influence upon business conditions in general. It had been estimated that steel orders on hand were adequate to maintain production until the late Summer. On the basis of this estimate, steel production should recover sharply at the termination of current labor troubles and continue to follow a satisfactory course during the later part of the year—provided adverse business influences, including the strike itself, do not produce a general recession in industrial activity.

The number of trading hours included in the past week has not been sufficiently large, and activity has not been maintained at a sufficiently high level,



to give great significance to fluctuations in stock prices over the period. Many fairly important issues have failed to sell at all on several days and markets have been unusually thin in practically all groups. Evidently this week's decline was, as has frequently been the case during the past three months, due essentially to the absence of buyers in a period of only moderate selling, rather than to sustained liquidation by American investors.

The recent decline in stock prices was felt in practically all major industrial classifications, and especially in the more cyclical groups. Rails, which had succeeded in retaining a considerable portion of their December to March gain, declined to the lowest level since February. Steels have been adversely affected by the strike situation. Even in this group, however, the weakness has been less pronounced than might have been expected as a result of the rather sharp reduction in the rate of steel output.



	1937.	1936.
June.	May.	Apr.
1.	109.46	107.78
2.	.....	108.01
22.	109.30	108.11
23.	.....	107.91
24.	109.52	107.81
25.	109.66	108.45
26.	109.52	107.40
27.	109.50	107.50
28.	109.36	107.35

Various leading stocks, including Colins & Aikman, Allis-Chalmers and some utilities, have declined further to new lows for the current move, whereas stores and oils have had a somewhat more favorable record than the market as a whole. Among the individual issues, not included in the store and oil groups, which either have resisted the downward tendency or have even shown slight gains, have been Celanese Corporation, Reynolds Tobacco, Mohawk Carpet, Fairbanks Morse, United Carbon, Caterpillar Tractor and Douglas Aircraft.

Bond prices have in general continued to fluctuate within a rather narrow range. An average of high-grade railroad bonds and an average of industrial issues have both remained practically unchanged following their moderate recoveries of the past few weeks. An average of utility bonds has, on the other hand, declined to a new low and second-grade rails have also receded slightly to the approximate lows reached in April and May.

The behavior of bond prices during the past two months tends to give some support to the belief of some observers that a further sharp decline is unlikely at this time, although it seems reasonable to assume that the cyclical advance in high-grade bond prices has come to an end and that any recovery from the current level will probably be of moderate proportions. Although general business uncertainty, and the consequent reluctance of investors to buy stocks and lower-grade bonds, tends to sustain high-grade bond prices, this factor might prove only temporary in the event of continued business recovery and firmer interest rates.

S. F.

Business Statistics

TRANSPORTATION (27)		
	P. C.	Departure
	5-Year	Avg. From
	(1932-36) Avg.	(1937) Avg.
Week ended May 22:		
Total carloadings	779,276	594,918 +31.0
Grain & gr. prod.	26,154	30,384 -13.9
Coal and coke	127,500	102,543 +24.3
Forest products	41,747	24,866 +67.9
Manuf. products	497,890	398,887 +24.8
Year to May 22:		
Total carloadings	15,156,729	11,942,483 +26.9
Grain & gr. prod.	606,691	618,689 -1.6
Coal and coke	3,237,877	2,588,092 +25.1
Forest products	742,758	467,709 +58.8
Manuf. products	9,761,965	7,806,530 +25.0
Freight-car surplus		
April 15-30	134,242	441,017 -69.6
P. C. of freight cars serviceable May 1	88.9	86.3 + 3.0
P. C. of locomotives serviceable May 1	84.1	79.5 + 5.8
Gross revenue, year to Mar. 31	\$1,031,424,198	\$797,476,118 +29.3
Expenses, year to March 31	796,331,741	650,938,816 +22.3
Taxes, year to March 31	88,917,811	65,991,648 +34.7
Rate of return on property investm't:		
Year to Mar. 31:	"Fair"	Return"
Eastern Dist.	3.94	5.75 -31.5
Southern Dist.	2.75	5.75 -52.2
Western Dist.	1.66	5.75 -71.1
U. S. as a whole	2.93	5.75 -49.0

2 FAILURES

Week Ended—		
May 27, 1937, Year to 1936. Date.		
Trade Groups:		
Manufacturing	42	31 648
Wholesale	16	15 414
Retail	120	117 2,313
Construction	8	11 264
Commercial service	3	6 197
Total U. S.	189	180 3,836
Total U. S., 1936...		4,335
Geographical divisions:		
New England	22	18 382
Middle Atlantic	79	64 1,474
South Atlantic	11	17 320
South Central	10	6 241
Central East	36	33 721
Central West	11	15 252
Western	1	3 84
Pacific	19	24 362
Total U. S.	189	180 3,836

3 AVERAGE DAILY CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION (18)

(Barrels)

(These figures do not include "hot," or illegally produced, oil)		
Bur. of State Mines Allow.	Week Ended—	
Mines Allow. May 22, 1937.	May 23, 1936.	
Texas—Calcs. able.	1937. 1936.	
Panh'dle.	83,374	87,100 62,450
North.	66,528	74,050 58,850
W. Cent.	65,350	52,900 25,450
West.	187,915	204,900 17,700
E. Cent.	120,113	124,050 51,850
East.	459,300	462,200 435,650
S. W.	226,882	236,350 150,950
Coastal.	201,754	206,700 182,850
Total...	1,340,800	1,411,236 1,433,300 1,145,750
Oklahoma.	622,700	622,700 660,800 531,600
Kansas...	187,100	202,650 155,300
North La.	249,400	240,900 175,750 148,650
Arkansas.	28,500	27,150 29,850
Eastern.	117,400	119,650 114,600
Michigan.	34,900	44,450 32,950
Wyoming.	49,000	49,800 36,150
Montana.	15,200	15,400 17,050
Colorado.	4,800	3,600 4,800
New Mex.	98,800	114,000 112,200 74,850
California.	583,300	602,230 658,100 568,000
Total U. S. \$3,332,900	3,573,700 2,943,950	
Effective May.	State quotas as of May 1.	
1. Recommendation of Central Committee of California Oil Producers.		

4 PER CENT CHANGES IN ELECTRIC POWER OUTPUT FROM CORRESPONDING WEEKS OF PREVIOUS YEAR (%)

1937		
Week ended: May 29	22	May 15
May 29, May 22, May 30, 1937.	1937.	1936.
New Eng.	+14.1	+13.1 +14.2 +14.4 +14.5
Mid. Atlan.	+14.2	+12.7 +11.0 +9.6 +14.5
Cent. Reg.	+14.9	+15.1 +15.5 +15.5 +15.9
West Cent.	+6.9	+7.1 +6.3 +8.0 +8.7
South States	+16.8	+15.1 +16.2 +15.4 +16.0
Rocky Mts.	+21.2	+25.1 +24.8 +23.7 +28.4
Pac. Coast	+6.6	+4.8 +4.2 +4.0 +4.3
Entire U. S.	+12.9	+12.1 +12.7 +12.8 +13.5

5 DOMESTIC RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ORDERS (1)

Reported in Railway Age of:		
May 29, May 22, May 30, 1937. 1937.		
Locomotives		
Freight cars	103	
Passenger cars		
Struct. steel (tons)	1,230	
Rails (tons)	3,317	

6 STEEL SCRAP PRICES (23)

(Per ton, at Pittsburgh)

Week Ended—

May 22, May 15, May 23,

1937. 1937. 1936.

Heavy melting, aver. of daily quotations \$18.75 \$19.35 \$14.25

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	Freight Misc.	Car Loadings Other.	Steel Mill Activity	Electric Power Production	Automobile Production	Lumber Production	Cotton Mill Activity	Combined Index		
Effective weights 18	7	25	20	10	10	10	10	100		
Adjusted weights 19	.08	.10	.49	.03	.06	.05	.05	1.00		
1936.										
May 30.....	92.3	96.5	92.3	101.2	104.4	87.0	121.2	98.5		
1937.										
May 1.....	99.5	108.1	121.3	107.4	118.6	86.0	139.4	108.0		
May 8.....	100.4	107.9	121.2	106.5	131.3	86.8	144.8	108.4		
May 15.....	102.5	108.1	121.3	106.1	131.8	92.0	144.8	109.0		
May 22.....	*104.0	*110.7	120.4	106.4	*123.2	93.8	143.8	*110.3		
May 29.....	*101.6	*107.9	122.0	106.6	137.2	*95.7	147.8	*109.6		

17 RATE OF OPERATIONS IN THE STEEL INDUSTRY

Dow-Jones		As Estimated by					
Week U. S.	Week Be- ginning:	Amer. Iron and Steel Inst.	Week Ended: N. Y.	Iron Times.	As of: Amer. Metal Age Market.		
June 1..	63%	72	68%	May 25..	67.9	May 26..	68
June 8..	64%	73	69%	June 1..	68.2	June 6..	67
1937.				May 30..	66	May 26..	68
May 17..	88%	93	92	May 10..	91.2	May 11..	92
May 24..	89	94	92%	May 17..	90.0	May 18..	92
May 31..	89%	77	83	May 24..	91.0	May 25..	*85
June 7..	...	...	...	May 31..	77.4	June 1..	77%

18 FREIGHT CARLOADINGS (19)

May 22, May 19, May 23, 1937.			
Grain and grain prod.	26,154	29,905	31,350
Livestock	713	12,777	11,183
Coal	117,249	116,262	106,160
Coke	10,251	10,209	8,191
Forest products	41,747	39,481	33,514
Ore	72,272	71,066	46,856
Merchandise, i. c. l.	170,150	170,023	162,094
Miscellaneous freight	327,740	327,156	284,372
Carloadings (total)	779,276	773,669	683,590
Week ended May 29, 1937: Estimated total, 785,000; corresponding week in 1936, 646,859.			

19 ESTIMATED AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION (10)

Week Ended:	1937.	1936.	1935.	1934.
Mar. 13.....	101,563	90,680	97,090	79,673
Mar. 20.....	99,450	95,223	100,065	81,896
Mar. 27.....	101,046	98,415	103,286	79,913
Apr. 3.....	95,827	108,426	107,895	89,722
Apr. 10.....	99,196	112,818	109,562	91,224
Apr. 17.....	125,472	119,834	110,235	91,664
Apr. 24.....	133,164	120,519	110,970	99,336
May 1.....	139,157	118,764	110,865	90,277
May 8.....	140,188	118,736	87,395	79,305
May 15.....	140,396	117,156	89,760	75,550
May 22.....	131,306	109,821	100,750	76,281
May 29.....	134,940	108,346	65,675	54,185

20 ENGINEERING CONTRACT AWARDS (14)

(Total per week, thousands of dollars)
Week ended:

State &	Federal	Munic.	Public	Private	Total
1937:	4,492	27,745	32,237	30,464	62,701
May 13....	2,361	14,266	16,627	38,617	55,244
May 20....	2,446	25,242	27,688	29,928	57,616
June 3....	6,510	17,886	24,396	11,210	35,606
†Four-day week.					

21 AVERAGE DAILY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AWARDED (3)

(37 States East of the Rocky Mountains)

Public	Residential	Work and Utility	All Other.	No. Total Days.
1936.	3,136,960	2,738,040	3,838,760	9,713,760
Jan.	2,864,168	2,710,355	2,982,991	8,572,309
Feb.	3,339,556	1,943,593	3,281,556	8,564,705
Mar.	4,161,707	2,525,519	3,699,204	10,389,430
Apr.	3,205,279	2,691,147	3,664,011	9,560,436
May	...	...	...	19

BRITISH EXCHANGE RATES ON PARIS EXCHANGE
(In francs—average price per day)
1937
June. May. Apr. Mar. Feb. Jan.
1. 110.620 110.390 106.337 105.133 105.020 ...
2. 110.583 111.307 106.350 105.155 105.157
27. 110.663 110.808 ... 105.143
29. 110.655 110.407 ... 105.100
30. 110.459 106.343 ... 105.080
31. 110.700 ... 106.327

23 THE ANNALIST INDEX OF WORLD INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

(1928=100.0; adjusted for seasonal variation)

World:	Apr.	Mar.	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Prev.	Same Month
Including U. S. A.	113.3	111.7	110.0	108.2	108.9	105.3	93.8		
Not including U. S. A.	119.3	117.7	116.2	115.9	114.0	111.6	103.4		
United States	107.1	107.1	105.3	103.1	103.5	98.9	90.8		
Canada	103.9	99.9	101.4	102.8	103.3	106.5	89.3		
United Kingdoms	117.2	118.3	116.7	116.7	115.1	115.1	111.4		
France	81.9	81.1	79.5	78.7	78.0	77.2	79.5		
Germany	115.8	115.5	115.1	114.0	112.6	109.0	101.2		
Japan	188.8	191.1	186.7	180.7	176.1	176.1	160.5		
Austria	94.8	87.7	91.8	82.7	81.7	84.7	74.7		
Belgium ....	...	...	85.6	88.3	87.5	85.8	79.8		
Chile	128.2	125.9	126.1	125.1	126.4	126.2	122.6		
Czechoslovakia	99.6	99.1	96.7	91.5	86.5	86.5	79.8		
Denmark	148.4	147.3	145.1	143.0	143.0	144.0	137.5		
Finland ....	...	...	...	138.0	130.7	134.8	123.3		
Hungary (quarterly average)	96.7	92.4	94.0	91.0	90.9	82.7	80.5	75.0	
Netherlands	142.1	142.1	131.6	133.7	137.9	134.8	124.2		
Norway (not adjusted)	83.2	83.6	80.1	77.5	74.9	74.7	67.6		
Poland	150.5	149.2	147.9	149.2	147.0	146.6	137.4		

Excluding Russia. General business activity. Month in previous year corresponding to most recent month shown; revised data.

29 RETAIL VALUE OF DOMESTIC GASOLINE CONSUMPTION

March	1936			1935		
	Price.	Consumption.	Value.	Price.	Consumption.	Value.
January .....	.141	1,274	7,544	.132	1,143	6,337
February						
March						

Price per gallon; consumption in thousands of barrels per day, adjusted for seasonal variation; value in thousands of dollars per day.

30 FABRICATED STEEL PLATE BOOKINGS (5)

April

Stock and Bond Market Averages and Volume of Trading

The Annalist Weighted Averages of Group Leaders

	May 27			May 28			Cal. Wks.			June 1			June 2		
	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.
90 Stocks	68.6	67.6	68.0	68.6	67.8	68.2	69.4	67.4	67.3	66.1	66.7	67.8	67.0	67.2	
72 Industrials	224.2	221.1	222.6	224.2	221.9	223.3	226.7	220.7	220.4	216.7	218.4	221.9	219.3	220.2	
4 Steels	46.1	45.5	45.8	46.2	45.8	46.0	47.4	46.5	45.3	44.4	45.2	45.8	44.9	45.2	
4 Motors	108.8	106.8	108.0	108.5	107.1	108.0	111.5	106.8	107.1	105.5	106.2	107.4	105.6	105.9	
5 Mo. accessories	54.6	53.6	54.4	54.6	54.1	54.4	57.7	53.4	53.5	52.1	52.7	55.3	53.0	53.3	
3 Aviations	27.8	26.7	27.1	27.8	27.1	27.4	28.3	26.7	26.7	26.2	26.8	26.9	27.8	27.8	
3 Building	65.6	64.0	64.8	65.2	64.6	65.2	66.4	63.8	63.8	62.4	63.4	64.6	63.8	64.6	
4 Chemicals	162.7	161.8	162.4	163.9	163.0	163.3	164.2	161.2	161.5	159.6	160.2	162.3	161.2	161.2	
4 Nonfer. metals	83.3	82.0	82.7	83.1	82.0	82.2	83.5	81.2	80.9	78.9	80.2	82.2	81.1	81.1	
4 Foods	37.9	37.5	37.6	38.0	37.6	37.9	38.4	37.2	37.6	37.2	37.2	37.6	37.2	37.5	
3 Tobaccos	72.1	71.1	71.6	71.6	71.1	71.6	73.2	71.1	71.6	70.9	71.4	71.6	70.9	71.4	
3 Sugars	38.6	38.6	38.6	38.4	38.0	38.2	39.3	38.0	37.8	37.6	37.8	37.6	37.6	37.6	
2 Elect. equip.	79.4	78.2	78.8	79.1	78.5	78.8	80.4	77.8	77.5	76.2	76.9	78.8	78.2	78.2	
4 Farm equip.	102.4	101.3	102.0	103.1	102.0	102.7	104.1	101.3	102.0	101.3	101.3	102.0	101.7	101.7	
4 Office equip.	47.7	42.2	42.5	42.8	42.5	42.6	43.7	42.2	42.2	41.1	41.7	42.1	41.7	42.1	
4 Railroad equip.	47.1	46.6	46.9	47.0	46.9	47.0	47.1	46.0	46.0	42.8	45.8	46.5	46.0	46.4	
4 Amusement	36.6	35.9	36.2	36.6	35.2	36.2	37.0	35.5	35.5	34.6	35.1	35.6	35.1	35.4	
5 Merchandise	48.5	47.6	47.9	48.5	47.9	48.4	48.9	47.6	48.0	47.2	47.6	47.5	47.6	47.6	
3 Rubber & tires	72.0	69.9	70.8	71.7	70.5	71.1	72.3	69.6	69.0	67.3	69.4	70.8	68.7	68.7	
2 Liquor	38.3	37.7	38.0	38.3	38.0	38.3	38.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.7	38.3	37.5	37.5	
4 Standard Oils	37.4	36.6	36.7	37.2	36.7	37.1	37.4	36.5	36.8	35.9	36.2	37.2	36.6	36.9	
4 Independent oils	72.7	71.4	72.7	72.7	71.4	72.7	72.7	71.4	71.4	70.5	70.5	71.2	70.5	70.5	
8 Oils	109.8	108.0	108.8	109.9	108.2	108.2	110.3	107.9	108.0	105.7	106.7	108.6	107.1	107.8	
10 Railroads	71.7	70.4	70.8	71.4	70.4	70.8	74.1	70.4	69.7	67.3	68.4	69.8	68.6	68.9	
8 Utilities	25.2	24.7	24.9	24.7	25.4	24.7	24.4	24.7	24.4	24.1	24.4	24.7	24.3	24.4	

Note: These figures are available each day in the New York Daily Investment News. Stock Exchange closed June 29 and 31.

The New York Times Stock Market Averages

MONTHLY HIGH, LOW AND LAST

	23 Railroads			25 Industrials			50 Stocks		
	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.
1936.									
May	37.04	33.63	36.53	207.09	195.36	205.61	122.06	114.49	121.07
June	38.22	35.43	37.42	218.27	202.76	214.04	127.97	119.05	125.73
July	42.66	36.54	41.69	223.07	211.67	223.26	135.86	124.18	132.47
August	43.93	40.47	43.00	227.67	214.85	219.60	135.90	127.66	131.30
September	44.84	42.60	43.93	225.06	217.57	220.56	134.70	130.21	132.24
October	47.45	43.74	45.85	232.21	219.58	231.67	139.64	131.66	137.76
November	46.34	42.41	43.26	234.60	229.54	238.46	144.44	137.24	140.86
December	43.73	40.07	41.92	238.75	225.52	231.61	141.06	132.87	136.76

	WEEKLY HIGH, LOW AND LAST		
	High.	Low.	Last.
May 1	46.43	43.85	45.95
May 8	48.09	45.81	47.38
May 15	46.89	44.59	45.37
May 22	46.48	44.15	46.23
May 29	46.24	44.39	44.63

	DAILY HIGH, LOW AND LAST		
	High.	Low.	Last.
May 27	44.93	44.45	44.54
May 28	44.88	44.39	44.63
May 29	—	—	—
May 30	—	—	—
May 31	—	—	—
June 1	44.30	43.31	43.85
June 2	44.27	43.86	43.98

Dow-Jones Stock Market Averages

WEEKLY HIGH, LOW AND LAST

Week Ended:	30 Industrials		20 Railroads		20 Utilities		70 Stocks
	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.	High.
1937.							
May 1	176.91	174.06	175.54	61.10	58.16	60.14	30.08
May 8	175.19	166.58	169.60	59.81	56.96	57.90	29.23
May 15	175.37	170.00	171.59	59.19	56.35	58.96	28.38
May 22	175.37	172.62	174.71	59.00	56.55	56.82	28.70
May 29	172.62	172.62	174.71	59.00	56.55	56.82	28.70

	DAILY HIGH, LOW AND LAST		
	Railroads	Ind. & Misc.	Total
May 27	53.96	54.25	56.60
May 28	51.73	50.72	55.95
May 29	—	—	—
May 30	—	—	—
May 31	—	—	—
June 1	103.99	64.21	746.170
June 2	74.470	46.210	535.680

	BONDS SOLD ON NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (PAR VALUE)		
	Corporation	U. S. Govt.	Foreign
1936.			
May	162,242,000	16,145,100	23,587,000
1937.			
January	\$268,316,000	\$25,889,400	\$49,318,000
February	229,443,000	19,614,800	36,130,000
March	266,528,000	124,908,300	30,617,000
April	204,681,000	61,921,900	28,331,000
May	137,799,000	30,342,700	20,749,500

N. Y. TIMES BOND MARKET AVERAGES (40 Domestic Bonds)

1936-1937

Stock Transactions—New York Stock Exchange

For Calendar Week Ended May 2

Bid and Asked Quotations of May 29 for Issues Not Traded In

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Stock Transactions—New York Stock Exchange—Continued

For Calendar Week Ended—

Stock Transactions—New York Stock Exchange—Continued

For Calendar Week Ended—

Blank means figures not available.
Full face—All current earnings, but not including fiscal years ended prior to Jan. 31, 1937 or 1936, or earlier.
b—Parent company only.
c—Initial dividend.
d—Deficit.
e—Years ended 1935 and 1934.
f—Not computed, as results are before all classes of preferred.

g—Number of months covered by latest interim report.

h—Dividend of 1-1/2 share of Consolidated Oil common.

i—In script.

j—Per share earnings not computed as results are before all deductions.

k—Liquidation, m—Adjusted.

l—Before operations of Spanish subs.

m—Ex dividend.

n—Plus or payable in stock.

o—Special.

p—Joe Daniels, George W. Smith, and others.

q—Not computed, as no allowance was made for taxes.

r—Amount varies.

s—In fiscal year.

t—Partly extra.

u—In script.

v—Plus or payable in stock.

w—Weeks.

x—Low column.

y—High column.

z—Not computed, as no allowance was made for taxes.

A—Under high and low columns represent asked and bid prices of

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ward. The utilities, of course, made strenuous efforts to secure increased rates. Mainly because of the lag of governmental bureaucracy, these efforts did not achieve much success until 1921; and even though this success consisted merely in preventing any further decrease, on the average, in rates, it was achieved only after the commodity price

TABLE V. RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

Year Ended:	Consumption Per Customer (Kwh.)	Average Revenue Monthly Per Kwh. (Cents)	Bill Per Customer.
1936—			
Jan. 31.....	678	4.99	2.82
Feb. 29.....	683	4.96	2.82
Mar. 31.....	688	4.93	2.83
Apr. 30.....	682	4.90	2.83
May 31.....	695	4.88	2.83
June 30.....	697	4.86	2.82
July 31.....	701	4.84	2.83
Aug. 31.....	705	4.82	2.83
Sep. 30.....	709	4.80	2.84
Oct. 31.....	714	4.78	2.84
Nov. 30.....	718	4.76	2.85
Dec. 31.....	725	4.71	2.85
1937—			
Jan. 31.....	729	4.69	2.85
Feb. 28.....	738	4.66	2.87
Mar. 31.....	743	4.63	2.87

collapse of 1921, or after the immediate necessity for increased rates had largely disappeared. It was this period of advantageous economic changes, or absence of adverse changes, from about 1921 to about 1925, which laid the foundation for the subsequent boom in utility stocks, which in turn afforded the opportunity for that brand of financial manipulation the opprobrium from which still lingers to bedevil the entire industry.

Another consequence of the rigidity of public regulation during the war-time period of unfavorable economic conditions was that the power companies were forced to keep in service much obsolete

equipment which otherwise would have been scrapped and replaced. Modernization was visibly retarded, so that to catch up with the progress of the art, a vast amount of expansion was crowded into the 1925-29 period, accentuating the boom.

But all this experience is in vain because the lesson has not been learned. With the general economic position obviously showing much similarity to that of the early war-time rise in prices and wages, the pressure for rate reductions is unrelenting. Demands for wage increases are multiplying, and the power companies, unlike the general run of manufacturing concerns, are powerless

TABLE VI. NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS

(End of Each Month, Thousands)						
	Small	Large	Com-	Com-	merci-	Total.
1936— Household.						
January	21,081	3,720	507	25,374		
February	21,041	3,751	494	25,418		
March	21,116	3,741	488	25,410		
April	21,189	3,773	491	25,518		
May	21,246	3,783	493	25,585		
June	21,334	3,777	496	25,669		
July	21,357	3,780	509	25,707		
August	21,409	3,779	511	25,762		
September	21,561	3,797	516	25,938		
October	21,628	3,800	516	26,008		
November	21,700	3,805	514	26,083		
December	21,725	3,800	512	26,100		
1937—						
January	21,775	3,817	560	26,222		
February	21,789	3,818	548	26,226		
March	21,866	3,830	559	26,326		

*Including other classifications not tabulated separately.

Source: Edison Electric Institute.

when it comes to passing the increased costs along to the consumer. That this unfavorable outlook can be alleviated to any extent by increased volume is extremely doubtful, in the opinion of experienced observers.

There are, to be sure, a number of new sources of demand which, on the surface,

would appear to make such a development possible. Chief among such possibilities is air conditioning, hailed originally as an opportunity for power companies to expand their markets. We now, however, find an increasing number of articles in engineering and trade magazines by engineers who, having looked

and transformers with heavier equipment. If air conditioning develops in a concentrated area, as in a city block, for example, the concentrated load may and often does require expensive replacement of underground transmission facilities. For these and other reasons, especially the effect of present methods of air con-

Table VIII. Common Stock Annual Price Range

(Fractions Eliminated)	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920
H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.	H. L.
Commonwealth Edison	155	125	140	127	146	133	146	144
Consolidated Edison	142	125	139	112	150	130	135	76
Consolidated Gas of Balt.	120	101	109	102	116	102	103	72
Detroit Edison	113	112	135	131	145	112	120	98
Pacific Gas and Elec.	45	34	60	41	67	56	69	31
Pub. Serv. of N. J.	118	105	114	107	120	97	109	85
Pub. Serv. of North. Ill.	85	65	81	74	110	75	118	80

into the matter, candidly state that so far as the power companies are concerned air-conditioning is likely to become a liability rather than an asset. It produces a peak load, which is undesirable, and it produces it at a bad time. If the installation is one of any size, it means the replacement of inside wiring and switches and outside wiring

distribution on water-supply and sewerage facilities, one engineer has in effect called air conditioning one of the greatest menaces of the age. Research is being directed toward storage of cold by refrigerants and reduction of the amount of water required, so as to obtain a better load factor. In due course present drawbacks will presumably be corrected.

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it would be cheaper for the government to assume the cost of repairing all flood damage and not bother to build the dams, or perhaps to buy the land below high-water mark and give it to the river. Incidentally, TVA dams permanently submerge a greater area than was flooded by the natural stream.

Of course, these Federal figures are to be taken with a few shakers of salt. TVA has upped its admitted program cost to \$520,000,000 in this year's testimony. There is room for belief that the hydro development, under a true allocation of costs, is the really exorbitant item. President Kellogg of the Edison Electric Institute says that the real cost of TVA power under the system of high dams will be more than 10 mills per kilowatt-hour as compared with less than 4 mills in a modern steam plant of the sort TEPCO wants to build if TVA pressure does not prevent. Any way it is figured, something costs too much in this multiple-purpose development and the whole system costs too much.

Other Eastern rivers are less susceptible than the Tennessee for multiple-purpose development in the opinion of TVA Chairman A. E. Morgan, who has been quoted as saying:

There is a popular overexpectation as to the possibilities of power development associated with flood control in the Eastern United States. Few rivers are so favorable in that respect as the Tennessee, and the possibilities of that river system fall far short of those on the Pacific Coast. Moreover, flood control and power in some cases are mutually exclusive.

As to the loading of a program with too many other purposes:

In my opinion, there has recently been exaggeration of the possibilities of flood control by soil management, forestry and the construction of reservoirs on very small headwater streams.

Private Firms Could Have Built TVA

The irony of parading TVA flood benefits is that a good part of the development might have been done under private initiative years ago had not the advocates of public ownership intervened. The Federal Water Power Act of 1920 provided a sensible long-range program whereby power companies were allowed to acquire sites, subject to 50-year re-

capture. They were required to make needed provision for flood control and navigation which was thus made possible with private capital rather than by the Treasury.

Power companies wanted to build a series of dams on the Tennessee in the early Twenties. But the river was closed to development pending the settlement of the Muscle Shoals controversy. Meanwhile, steam power was becoming more economical than hydro. The Rivers and Harbors Act of 1930 authorized the corps of engineers to improve the river for navigation. Companies wishing to develop for power would have been compensated to the extent of the cost of low dams thus rendered unnecessary. This would have been a substantial item in some projects. But there were no takers because it was not deemed a paying investment. Yet TVA builds the dams.

Catch Every Drop

What TVA has done is an index of what multiple-purpose development under similar authorities can do in other regions; how the policy of power-plus-anything makes toward unsound projects and toward the losses through competition and waste which are the penalty for violations of economic law. The new plan of river development seems to be based on what might be termed "catch-every-drop philosophy." In dedicating Fort Peck Dam, the President said:

We are going to make every gallon of water that flows from the heavens and the hills count before it reaches the Gulf of Mexico. I want to see that day come soon. The work we have already put under way to realize that dream is but a forerunner of what we hope to do in the days to come.

It is a bold concept for ultimate development, for completion step by step as the country is ready for it. But impatient advocates of public power, who seek to translate the President's plan in terms of doing everything now, are meddling with powerful economic forces which will offset the benefits of the program. Such a program is to be feared not because it is radical but because it is uneconomic. It remains to be seen whether Congress will see it that way and will move not too rapidly in extending this particular frontier of social progress.

Table IV. Distribution of Electricity

(Millions of Kilowatt Hours)

1936.	Large Comm.			Small Comm.			Domestic Service.			Sold to Customers—		
	Municipal	Street &	Electrified	Street	Interurban	Railroads	Railroads.	Municipal	and	Total.		
January	3,567	1,403	1,466	234	446	100	61	7,278				
February	3,514	1,324	1,340	219	435	96	72	6,999				
March	3,649	1,256	1,254	209	394	83	69	6,913				
April	3,842	1,281	1,223	193	375	86	70	7,069				
May	3,975	1,266	1,165	180	354	77	68	7,085				
June	3,197	1,275	1,144	159	346	74	68	7,262				
July	4,362	1,317	1,159	171	342	99	68	7,519				
August	4,487	1,361	1,180	188	340	97	70	7,723				
September	4,540	1,402	1,261	197	338	99	73	7,910				
October	4,574	1,421	1,324	214	374	110	76	8,093				
November	4,314	1,459	1,419	225	382	112	78	8,000				
December	4,298	1,501	1,482	235	433	124	80	8,154				
Total	48,319	16,266	15,417	2,424	4,569	1,157	853	90,007				

Table VII. Public Utility New Security Issues

(Thousands of Dollars)

1935—	New Capital		Refunding		Total		Total	
	Bonds.	Stock.	Total.	Bonds.	Stock.	Total.	Bonds.	Stock.
Jan.	778	1,785	2,563	400	...	400	1,178	1,785
Feb.	1,000	...	1,000	10,000	...	10,000	11,000	...
March	7,000	...	7,000	51,470	...	51,470	58,470	...
April ....	...	...	...	84,339	...	84,339	84,339	...
May	500	...	500	19,500	...	19,500	19,500	...
June	9,429	...	9,429	324,162	5,000	329,162	333,591	5,000
July	3,277	...	3,277	32,135	...	32,135	35,412	...
August	19,300	...	19,300	144,872	...	144,872	164,172	...
Sept.	11,090	...	11,090	153,552	15,702	169,554	164,942	15,702
Oct.	29,392	...	29,392	187,762	187,762	187,762	217,153	187,762
Dec.</							

The Week in the Commodities: Price Index Off With Grains and Livestock

SHARP declines in the grains and in livestock and meats carried The Annalist Weekly Index of Wholesale Commodity Prices again lower last week. The index declined to 142.5 on June 1 from 143.4 (revised) the Tuesday previous. The decline in the grains reflected needed rains throughout the West. Apart from these two groups there was little of interest in the commodities as a whole. Butter and eggs were also lower, along with tin, while cotton and cocoa were up.

DAILY COMMODITY PRICES

	Dow-			Moody's Jones		
	Spot Prices	Wheat.	Corn.	Hogs.	Spot Index.	Future Index.
May. Cotton.	1.45%	1.47½	11.38	206.4	70.82	
26..	13.16	1.45%	11.38	206.4	70.82	
27..	13.27	1.40%	1.43	11.30	206.4	71.37
28..	13.30	1.37%	1.43½	11.34	206.2	70.45
29..	Hol. 1.354	1.40%	...	Holiday.		
31..	Holiday.					
June.	1... 13.22	1.44%	1.43	11.33	204.4	69.66

Cotton—Middling upland, New York. Wheat—No. 2 red, c. i. f., domestic, New York. Corn—No. 2 yellow, New York. Hogs—Day's average, good and choice, Chicago. Moody's Spot Index—Fifteen staple commodities; Dec. 31, 1931=100.0 (March 1, 1933=80.0). Dow-Jones Futures Index—Eleven staple commodities: 1924-26=100.0.

WEEKLY FOREIGN WHOLESALE PRICE INDICES

(Measured in currency of country; 22 primary commodities in terms of gold)

	Primary	Ger.	C-mod.	many.	Ities.
Canada.	1926.	1926.	July '14.	1913.	1928.
Base	1926.	1926.	July '14.	1913.	1928.

Day compiled Fri. Sat. Sat. Wed. Sat.

Week Ended:

1937.	Apr. 3...	86.9	83.9	540	106.2	59.6
Apr. 10...	86.7	83.4	542	106.2	58.0	
Apr. 17...	86.0	83.4	539	105.9	56.4	
Apr. 24...	85.8	82.3	537	105.6	56.5	
May 1...	85.1	82.4	533	105.6	55.2	
May 8...	85.2	84.2	536	105.6	55.5	
May 15...	84.7	84.5	532	105.8	54.7	
May 22...	85.4	84.1	532	105.8	55.4	

Cash farm income in April was the highest, on a seasonally adjusted basis, since April, 1930, or since June, 1930, if AAA payments are not included, according to figures of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Income from grains, cotton and hogs decreased by less than the usual seasonal amounts, owing to sustained marketings or higher prices.

CASH FARM INCOME

(As estimated by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics)

Year's
*Ap. †Mar. Apr. Chge
1937. 1937. 1936. P. C.

In Millions of Dollars:	Grains	54	53	37	+ 45.9
Cotton and cottonseed	26	39	14	+ 85.7	
Fruits and vegetables	108	109	85	+ 27.1	
Meat animals	167	173	159	+ 5.0	
Dairy products	120	123	113	+ 6.2	
Poultry and eggs	66	56	56	+ 17.9	
Total	583	596	493	+ 18.3	
AAA payments	76	111	37	+ 105.4	

Total with AAA payments 659 707 530 + 24.3

Indices (1924-29=100.0):

All crops 88.5 74.5 56.5 + 56.6

All livestock 90.0 88.5 83.0 + 8.4

Total 89.0 81.5 69.5 + 28.1

Total with AAA payments 98.0 94.6 74.0 + 32.4

Factory payrolls 100.1 96.6 76.1 + 31.5

*Preliminary. †Revised. ‡Adjusted for seasonal variation. *Computed by THE ANNALIST. †U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, converted to 1924-29 base by THE ANNALIST.

INDICES OF FARM PRICES

(August, 1909-July, 1914=100; as reported by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics)

May Apr. Mar. May
15. 15. 15. 15.
1937. 1937. 1937. 1936.

Farm Prices Received:	Grains	149	154	145	88
Cotton and cottonseed	112	117	116	96	
Fruit	152	142	133	103	
Truck crops	139	127	131	105	
Meat animals	133	130	129	118	
Dairy products	116	120	125	106	
Chickens and eggs	96	104	102	101	
Miscellaneous	133	138	140	97	
All groups	128	130	128	103	

Prices Paid for Commodities Bought:

Total 134 *134 132 121

Unit Exchange Value of Farm Products:

Ratios 96 97 97 85

Hog-corn ratio 7.7 7.6 8.7 14.3

*Preliminary. †Revised. ‡Computed quarterly as of March 15, June 15, Sept. 15 and Dec. 15; other months interpolated. *Ratio of prices received for a given quantity of farm products to prices paid for a given amount of goods bought. †Number of bushels of corn that 100 pounds of live hog will buy at local market prices.

Prices received by farmers for their products in mid-May were slightly less,

on an average, than on April 15, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics index declining to 128 from 130 per cent of the pre-war average. Grains, cotton and cottonseed, dairy and poultry products were lower, while fruit, truck crops, and meat animals advanced.

COTTON

Cotton futures closed slightly higher Tuesday at the end of a typically dull holiday week. July closed at 12.72-12.73, up 6 points, and October at 12.67-12.68, up 9 points. Spot middling, at 13.22, was 6 points higher than on the previous Tuesday, while October Liverpool, at 7.05d, was 2 points lower.

The range of prices was narrow, Octo-

ber moving only between 12.53 and 12.77. Prices dipped slightly on last week Wednesday, but advanced on the following two days on moderate foreign support, although there was little real interest. Trading was suspended on Saturday and Monday because of the holiday. On Tuesday foreign selling and lower Liverpool cables, due to the latest war scare, set prices back again.

A slight decrease from previous acreage estimates is indicated by the June 1 estimate of The Journal of Commerce, which now places the 1937 area at 34,143,000 acres, 10.4 per cent more than last year's government-estimated plantings of 30,932,000. The estimate was 73,000 acres less than the 34,216,000

acres estimated by The Journal of Commerce on April 1. As compared with the April 1 report, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Mississippi showed considerable losses, while gains were reported for Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Missouri, Louisiana and Texas. Seeding is largely completed throughout the belt. Weather conditions were generally favorable last week, except in large parts of Oklahoma and Texas, where drought is still unrelieved.

World consumption of all cottons continues to run far ahead of a year ago. For the August-April period of the current season, world consumption is estimated by the Cotton Exchange Service at 22,795,000 bales, as against 20,657,000 during the nine months a year previous, of which American cotton accounted for 9,887,000, as against 9,388,000 last year (due to increased takings by mills in the United States), and foreign growths (consumed almost entirely in foreign mills) accounted for 12,908,000, as against 11,269,000. For the entire season it now seems likely, according to the same authority, that the world will use about 30,250,000 bales of all cottons, as against 27,729,000 in 1935-36, of which American cotton 13,000,000, as against 12,539,000, and foreign growths 17,250,000, as against 15,190,000.

Domestic cloth markets continued slow, with sales generally much below output. Cloth prices have not changed greatly. Mill operations are tending to slow down, with further contraction likely if demand does not pick up. However, interest in finished goods appears to be picking up somewhat. Abroad, activity continues to hold up at good levels.

MOVEMENT OF AMERICAN COTTON

(Thousands of running bales, counting round as half, linters excluded; as reported by the New York Cotton Exchange)

Wk Ending Thursday Yr.'s
May 27, 1937. May 28, 1936. Chge
1937. 1936. P. C.

Movement Into Sight:

During week 67 111 88 + 23.9

Since Aug. 1 *12,624 11,924 + 5.9

Deliveries During Week:

To domestic mills 124 132 91 + 36.3

To foreign mills 90 96 132 - 31.8

To all mills 214 228 223 - 4.0

Deliveries Since Aug. 1:

To domestic mills 7,452 5,347 + 39.4

To foreign mills *4,446 5,279 - 15.8

To all mills *11,898 10,626 + 12.0

Exports:

During week 40 91 88 - 54.5

Since Aug. 1 *5,117 5,555 - 7.9

World Visible Supply (Thursday):

World total 3,978 4,125 4,404 - 9.7

Week's change -147 -117 -135

U. S. A. only 2,437 2,534 3,196 - 23.7

Certified Stocks:

Thursday 39 40 19 + 105.3

*Adjusted.

THE GRAINS

Wheat futures declined sharply during the week ended Tuesday on needed rains in the West and in Canada, as well as on the week-end Spanish scare. July dropped 2% cents to \$1.13% and September 3½ to \$1.12½. The May went out at \$1.19½ on last week Wednesday, relatively weak. Winnipeg closed 3½ to 4½ cents lower and Liverpool 5% to 7% cents down, in United States units.

The decline was fairly continuous, apart from an abortive rally Thursday under the leadership of corn. Rains in the Southwest and Canada tended to weaken the market last week, extending to the Northwest over the week-end. The latest aspect of the Spanish crisis was felt only moderately in wheat, although in some of the other commodities there was considerable jettisoning of speculative holdings.

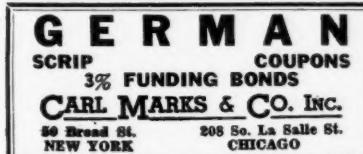
The main Winter Wheat Belt enjoyed fairly ample rain during the week, the extremely dry sections of Kansas receiving considerable showers. The Spring

*Prices for previous Friday. **Closing prices of nearest future contract. n Nominal.

§ Domestic.

OPEN MARKET FOR UNLISTED SECURITIES

These quotations are for bankers, brokers and dealers and are accepted for publication as actual markets. The numbers at the left of a quotation identifies it with the name of the firm in the index making the market. Prices areas of close of business on Tuesday, South and Mid-West Monday.



FOREIGN SECURITIES

Key.	Bid.	Offer.
19 Amsterdam Trading, Amer. shares.	33%	..
19 Antioquia 8-6s, 1946, bds & cpns.	OW	..
19 Austrian dollar bonds.	OW	..
19 Banco d'America e d'Italia stp. & unstp.	OW	..
19 Bank of Colombia 7s, 1947/48.	20	23
19 Bolivia 7s	91/4	93
19 Bolivia 8s, 1947.	10	10 1/2
19 Brazil Dollar funding 5s, 1951.	81/4	82 1/2
19 British & Hung. Bank 7 1/2s, 1962.	38	..
19 Buenos Aires scrip.	61	63
19 Burmeister & Wain, Ltd., 6s, 1940.	112	..
19 Caldas 7s, 1947.	17 1/2	18 1/2
19 Can. Vt. 7 1/2s, 1946.	17 1/4	18 1/2
19 Central Pacific Ry. 4s, 1911-46.	29	..
19 China 6% 2-yr. Treas. notes, '19-21	69 1/2	70 1/2
19 Chinese Hukouang 5s, 1911.	OW	..
19 City Savings Bank 7s, 1953.	32	..
19 Colombia scrip, old.	78	80
19 Colombia scrip, new.	57	59
19 Costa Rica fdg. 5s, 1951.	31	33
19 Costa Rica 5s, 1911.	OW	..
19 Cunard Warf. 6 1/2s, 1959.	15 1/2	16 1/2
19 European Migr. Inv. 7s, 1967	new inc. bds.	..
19 Farmers Natl. Mtg. 7s, 1963.	32	..
19 Fiat Motors	14	17
19 Ford of France.	OW	..
19 French Internals	OW	..
19 General Italian Edison Amer. shs.	OW	..
19 German dollar bonds.	OW	..
19 German 3% fdg.	29	30
19 Gras 8s, 1954.	105	..
19 Hungarian Cent. Mutual Cr. 7s, 37	32	..
19 Hung. Disc. & Exch. Bank 7s, '63 34	..	..
19 Hungarian Italian Bank 7 1/2s, 1963	32	..
19 I. G. Farbenindustrie	14%	15%
19 Italian Consol. 3 1/2s, 1934.	32 1/2	32 1/2
42 Italian 3 1/2s loan.	32	33
19 Jugoslavia fdg. 5s, 1956.	49	51
19 Meridionale Elec. 7s, 1957.	77	80
19 Mexican Utilities 7s, 1938.	50	57
19 Monteagle Bank Columbia shs.	OW	..
19 National Cent. Sav. Banks 7 1/2s, '62	32	..
19 National Hung. Industrial 7s, '62	32	..
19 North German Lloyd Amer. shs.	2%	3 1/4
19 Panama scrip.	50	55
19 Polish zlote 5s, 1924.	7	9
19 Reichsbank	20 1/2	21
19 Royal Dutch American shares.	75 1/2	76 1/2
19 Royal Dutch 4s, 1945.	165	..
42 Russian imp. 3 1/2s and 6 1/2s	1 1/2	1 1/2
19 San Joaquin 7s, 1957.	33 1/2	34
19 Santa Catherine 8s, 1947.	28 1/2	27
19 Sao Paulo 7s, 1946.	OW	..
19 Shell Transport & Tr. Amer. shrs.	54	56
19 Siemens & Halske 6s, 2930, deb.	OW	..
19 Siemens & Halske 7s & 6 1/2s.	OW	..

CANADIAN SECURITIES

PROVINCIAL ISSUES:		
Principal and interest payable in United States funds:		
Alberta 4 1/2s, 1956.	60	62
Alberta 15 1/2s, 1943.	69 1/2	64 1/2
Brit. Columbia 4 1/2s, 1955.	95 1/2	97
Brit. Columbia 5 1/2s, 1954.	99 1/2	100 1/2
Manitoba 4s, 1957.	85 1/2	87 1/2
Manitoba 4 1/2s, 1960.	89 1/2	91
New Bruns. 5s, 1960.	110	112
Nova Scotia 4 1/2s, 1952.	107	108 1/2
Ontario 4s, 1966.	105	107
Ontario 4s, 1951.	111	113
Ontario 4s, 1950.	114	116
Quebec 4s, 1958.	106	107 1/2
Quebec 4 1/2s, 1956.	109	111
Saskatchewan 4 1/2s, 1951.	90	91 1/2
Saskatchewan 5s, 1959.	87	89
Interest payment reduced one-half, effective June 1, 1936.		

CANADIAN INDUSTRIAL BONDS:		
22 Dominion Gas & Elec. 6 1/2s, 1945.	92 1/2	93 1/4
CANADIAN INDUSTRIAL STOCKS:		
16 Canadian Colonial Airways.	1 1/2	2 1/2
U. S. GOVT. AND MUNICIPAL BONDS		
ARKANSAS:		
63 Arkansas Rfdg. Rd. Dist. 3s, 1/1/49	82 1/2	84 1/2
63 Arkansas Hwy. 6s.	94 1/2	95 1/2
FLORIDA:		
47 Alachua Co. R/B No. 1 ref.	98 1/2	99 1/2
168 Bowling Green	20	22
168 Bradford Co. Hwy. 6s, aver. (5M).	99	..

U. S. GOVT. & MUNICIPAL BONDS (Cont.)

FLORIDA (Cont.):	Bid.	Offer.
Key.		
102 Brevard Co. S/D No. 1 (10M).	OW	..
102 Brevard Co. S/D No. 4 (5M).	OW	..
108 Broward Co. Highways.	72	..
47 Charlotte Co. Rd. 6s.	70	..
107 Citrus Co. rfdg.	81	..
107 Clearwater old APDCA.	67F	..
47 Coral Gables c/d 6s.	26 1/2	27 1/2
167 Coral Gables actuals.	28F	29 1/2

FLORIDA BONDS

ALL ISSUES

CLYDE C. PIERCE
CORPORATION
JACKSONVILLE
Branch Office: TAMPA

100 Dade Co. Hwy. aver. (5M).	4.40%
100 Dade Co. Hwy. No. 2 (5M).	3.97
108 Dade Co. Hwy. 6s.	45
160 De Soto Co. Hwy. new ref. (5M).	82
102 Fort Lauderdale (City of) (15M).	55F
108 Fort Lauderdale.	57
107 Fort Pierce Inlet District.	54F
107 Groveland actuals.	19F
107 Groveland c/ds.	16F
108 Hardee Co. Hwy. (25M).	60F
108 Hendry Co. Hwy. aver. (5M).	100
108 Indian River Co. R/B 6s.	76
108 Lake Worth actuals (15M).	32F
108 Lake Worth actuals of c/ds.	OW
108 Lake Worth Inlet Dist.	70
102 Melbourne (City of) c/ds (15M).	45F
47 Miami rfdg.	5 1/2s
100 Osceola Co. Hwy. new ref. (5M).	84
108 Palatka actuals.	66

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100 Palmetto.	104F
100 Pasco Co. Hwy. new ref. (5M).	88
102 Pasco Co. Hwy. (10M).	87
47 Pinellas Co. R/B & S/D ref. 4s.	OW
107 Pinellas Co. R/B Dist. No. 4 & 11.	OW
100 Putnam Co. Hwy. 5 1/2s aver. (5M).	96
47 St. Petersburg 3/8s.	64 1/2
100 Sanford c/d 6s.	23 1/2
47 Sarasota City c/d 6s.	37 1/2
47 Sarasota Co. Hwy. ref.	81
102 Sarasota (City of) APDCA (25M).	43F
100 Seminole Co. Hwy. new ref. 5 1/2s (5M).	96
108 Tampa (City of).	OW
100 Union Co. Hwy. new ref. (5M).	81
102 Vero Beach (City of) (10M).	43F
108 Winter Garden.	64

ILLINOIS:

63 Chicago Park Dist. rfdg. 4s, 9/1/55 opt. 3/1/47.

3.50%

LOWA:

25 Lucas Co. Fdg. 3s, 5/1/44-46

(8M)

25 Ottumwa School ref. 2 1/2s, 5/1/46-49

(15M)

25 Woodbury Co. Fdg. 2 1/2s, 1/1/48

(7M)

2.40-2.60%

2.40-2.50%

2.45%

MISSOURI:

68 St. Charles Co. Bridge Rev. 3 1/2s, 7/15/56

99 1/2

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First National Bank	304	309
Harris Trust & Savings	435	465
Northern Trust	735	775

CINCINNATI:

6 Fifth Third Tr. Co. (10 shs.)	141	150
65 Marine Nat. Exchange Bank	45	48
65 Marshall & Ilsley Bank	27	29

NEW YORK CITY:

Banca Commerciale Italiana	105	115
Bank of the Manhattan Co.	324	34%
Bank of Yorktown	65	72
Bankers Trust	664	68%
Bank of N. Y. & Trust	460	469
Bronx Trust	11%	12%
Brooklyn Trust	126	131
Central Hanover Bank & Trust	120	123
Chase National	51	53
Chemical Bank & Trust	654	68%
City National	44%	46%
Clinton Trust	85	95
Commerce National	193	189
Continental Trust	17	18%
Corn Exchange Bank Trust	64	65
Empire Trust Co.	304	31%
Fifth Avenue National	970	1010
First National	2130	2170
Fulton Trust	255	270
Guaranty Trust	334	339
Irving Trust	154	16%
Kings County Trust	1750	1850
Lancaster Trust	14%	17%
Manufacturers	592	54%
Manufacturers cum. pf	504	52%
Merchants National	100	115
National Bronx	50	..
National Safety	19	21
New York Trust	126	129
Publ. National	43	45
Sterling National	37%	39%
The Guarantee	13%	14%
Trade	30	37
Underwriters Trust	94	104
United States Trust	1775	1825

NEW YORK:

Federal	17%	20
Fidelity Union	44	46
Lincoln National	34	36
Metropolitan Newark	42	45
National Newark Essex	115	122
National State Bank	550	..
United States	29	33
West Side	30	33

PHILADELPHIA:

Cent. Penn. National	39	43
City National	35	38
Com. Exchange	28	30
Fidelity Philadelphia	385	405
Finance of Pa.	235	250
First National	400	420
Frankford	51	57
Germantown	23%	26%
Girard	100	105
Industrial	13	16
Integrity	7%	9%
Land Title B. & T.	6%	8%
Market Street National	400	420
National Bank Germantown	64	..
Ninth Bank & Tr.	14	..
North Philadelphia	120	140
Northern	650	680
Pennsylvania	38	42
Philadelphia	120	125
Provident	480	500
R. E. Trust	74	79
Second National	13	15
Trademen's	200	220

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.:

55 Springfield National Bank	10	12
55 Springfield Safe Deposit & Trust	65	..
55 Third National Bank & Trust	350	360
55 Union Trust Co.	62	66

INSURANCE STOCKS

Aetna Casualty & Surety	91%	95%
Aetna Fire Insurance	44	46
Aetna Life Insurance	28	28%
Aetna Reinsurance	84	87
American Alliance	21%	23%
American Equitable	38	41%
American Home	38	41%
American Insurance Newark	12%	13%
American Reinsurance	41	43
American Reserve	27%	28%
American Surety	52%	54%
Automobile	28%	30%
Baltimore American	7%	8%
Boilers & Shippers	98	101%
Bankers Nat'l. Life	35	40
Boston	60	650
Camden	19%	21%
Carolina	23%	25%
City of New York	24%	26
Conn. General Life	36	37
Excess	4%	5%
Federal	41	43
Fidelity & Deposit	100	128
Firs. Ass'n of Philadelphia	70	72
Firemen's Fund	85%	87%
Firemen's of Newark	10%	11%
Franklin	29%	31%
General Reinsurance	40	42
Georgia Home Ins.	25	27
Gibraltar Fire & Marine	26	28
Globe & Rutgers Fire com.	41%	43%
Globe & Republic	58	59%
Great American	20	22%
Great American Indemnity	24%	26%
Halford Fire	9	10
Hanover	32	34
Hartford Fire Insurance	66	67
Hartford Steam Boiler	58	60%
Home Insurance	33%	35%
Home Fire Security	4%	5%
Houston Fire	18	19%
Import & Export	8	8%
Insurance Co. of North America	64%	66
Knickerbocker	18	18%
Lincoln Fire	3%	4%
Maryland Casualty	6	6%
Massachusetts Bonding & Ins.	57	60
Merchants Fire	48	51
Merchants & Mfrs.	11%	13%
National Casualty	17	18%
National Fire	59%	60%
National Liberty	50	9%
National Un. Fire	127%	131%
New Amsterdam Casualty	14%	15%
New Brunswick	32%	34%
New Hampshire	45%	47%

INSURANCE STOCKS (Cont.)

Key.	Bid.	Offer.
New Jersey	47	50
New York Fire	20%	23%
North River	98	100%
Northern	130	133
65 Northwestern National	13%	14%
65 Old Line Life	131	135
Pacific Fire	20%	25%
Phoenix Fire Insurance Co.	81	85
Preferred Accident Ins.	17%	19%
Reinsur. Wash.	34%	36%
Republic Corp.	8	9
Republic of Davis	20%	22%
Revere (Paul) Fire	23%	25%
Russia	10%	11%
St. Paul Fire & Marine	20%	205
Seaboard Fire & Marine	10%	12%
Seaboard Surety	31	33
Security Insurance	35%	36%
55 Springfield Fire & Marine Insur.	84	94
55 Sun Life of Canada	64%	690
Travelers Insurance Co.	460	480
U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty	22%	23%
U. S. Fire	52%	54%
U. S. Guaranty	53	57
Westchester Fire	33%	35%

INVESTMENT TRUST SECURITIES

Fixed or Unit Type	Bid	Offer
Assoc. Nat. Shares	75	81%
Aco. Std Oil Shrs. A	7%	8%
Corp. Tr. AA (mod.)	3.57	..
Deposited Bk. N. Y. A.	2.32	..
Deposited Ins. Shrs. A	3.12	..
Diversified Trust C.	4.95	..
Diversified Trust D.	6.10	6.75
Fundamental Tr. Shrs.	3.15	..
Nation-Wide Sec. B	4.32	4.42
No. Am. Bond T. ctfs	58%	63
No. Am. Bond T. ctfs	3.42	..
No. Am. Tr. Shrs. 1955	3.36	..
Premier Shares	4%	4%
Primary Tr. Shares	2.60	2.95
Super Corp. Am. C. D.	7.64	..
Super Corp. Am. AA BB	2.65	..
Trusted Std. Invest. C	3.02	..
Trustee Std. Invest. D	2.97	..
Trustee Std. Oil	7.32	..
United N. Y. Banks	3%	3%
Useips. A.	16%	17%
Useips. B.	2.52	2.62

Management

Admin. Fund. second	17.99	19.14
Affiliated Fund	19.89	18.84
Amerelex Holding Corp	26%	28%
Am. Business Shares	1.15	1.27
Am. Gen. Equities	1.08	1.20
British Type Invest.	.51	.71
Broad Street Invest.	34.12	36.49
Canadian Fund	20%	22%
Chartered Investors	4.40	4.80
Chartered Investors pf.	90	..
Century Shares	25.02	26.90
Commonwealth Invest.	5.35	5.72
Consolidated Fund, A.	104%	121%
Dividend Shares	1.88	2.03
Equity Corp. of Del. pf.	38%	41%
Fidelity Fund	26.51	28.55
Fidelity Fund (Bank)	3.54	3.85
Fidelity Fund (Insurance)	3.74	4.08
Fundamental Invest.	6.66	7.25
General Invest.	24.34	26.17
Incorporated Invest.	15.32	16.25
Investors Fund, C.	9.28	10.17
Maryland Fund	27.40	29.07
Mutual Invest.	15.53	17.03
Nat.-Wide Vot. Shares	1.98	2.12
Natl. Investors (Md.)	7.02	7.19
Nat'l. Investors Utilities	67	73
Petrol. & Trading Corp.	21	23
Plymouth Fund	.85	.96
Quarterly Income	17.32	18.97
Republic Invest. Fund	1.30	1.45
Selected Am. Shares	14.11	15.38
Spencer Trask Fund	20.48	21.57
Standard Utilities	.75	.84
State Street Invest.	101.93	103.90
Supervised Shares	13.88	15.00
T. & G. Bk. B.	.88	.98
Trusted Indus. Shares	1.45	1.60
Useips Voting Shares	.91	.99
Wellington Fund	18.92	20.75
Wisconsin Investment Co. com.	3%	4%

INVESTMENT BANKING

Dividends Declared Since Previous Issue and Awaiting Payment

Regular Company.	Rate.	Per. riod. able.	Pay. Hldrs. of Record.	Company.	Rate.	Per. riod. able.	Pay. Hldrs. of Record.	Company.	Rate.	Per. riod. able.	Pay. Hldrs. of Record.	Company.	Rate.	Per. riod. able.	Pay. Hldrs. of Record.			
Ala Gt So R R.....	\$1.50	June 28	June 7	Kelvinator of Can. Ltd.....	7%	Q	Aug. 16	Aug. 5	Pacific Lighting Corp.....	pf \$1.50	Q	July 15	June 30	South Porto Rico Sugar.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 10
Do pf.....	\$1.50	S July 12	June 16	King-Seely Corp.....	5½%	conv	Q	July 1	Pac Southw Realty Co.....	pf .31.37%	Q	July 1	Do pf.....	.52	Q	July 1	June 10
Alabama Pow Co, \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	Aug. 2	July 15	Kroehler Mfg Co, A pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	June 24	Paramount Pict, Inc.....	6% 1st	Southland Royalty Co.....	.10c	Q	June 21	June 5		
Do \$8 pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	June 12	Do	\$1.50	Oct. 1	.....	Southw Portl'd Cement Co.....	\$1	Q	June 15	.....				
Do 7% pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	June 12	Do	\$1.50	Dec. 31	Dec. 24	Do 8% pf.....	.52	Q	June 15	.....				
Aluminum of Am 6% pf.....	\$1.50	July 1	June 15	Kroehler (G) Brew Co.....	.25c	June 16	June 29	Stand Bk of South Africa, Ltd.....	10%			
Am Hawaiian S S.....	.25c	Q	July 1	June 15	Lansing Co.....	.25c	May 10	May 10	Tandem Brands.....	.20c	Q	July 1	June 7					
Amer Bk Note Co.....	.25c	Q	July 1	June 10	Leslie Salt Co.....	.50c	June 15	May 31	Stands & Co.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 18					
Do 6% pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 10	Do .....	.50c	Sep. 15	Aug. 31	Stuart-(D)OilCo, partic pf.....	.20c	Q	June 1	May 17				
Am Can Co 7% pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	June 12	Lindsay Lt & Chemical Co.....	17½c	Q	June 14	Penn Cent L & P \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	Q	July 1	June 10					
Am Ch & Cab new.....	.50c	Q	June 15	June 10	Liquid Carbonic Cp.....	.65c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do \$2.50 pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 10				
Am Home Prod.....	.20c	M	June 15	June 14	Lorillard (P) Co.....	.30c	Q	July 1	June 15	Penn Glass Sand 7% pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 15				
Amer Ice Co pf.....	.50c	Q	June 5	.....	Do 7% pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	.....	Perfection Stove.....	.37½c	Q	June 30	June 19		
Am Mach & Metals, Inc.....	.15c	Q	July 1	.....	Do .....	.50c	Q	July 1	.....	Phila El Pw 8% pf.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 10	
Am Pw & Lt \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	July 1	.....	Mengel Strs \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	Q	June 15	Phoenix See Corp pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 15					
Do \$6 pf.....	\$1.50	July 1	June 8	Merch Fire Ins.....	.30c	Q	May 15	Pittsburgh, Ft Wayne & Chicago Ry.....	.175c	Q	July 1	June 22						
Am Safety Razor Cp.....	.50c	Q	June 30	June 10	Milford Metal Prod 6% pf.....	\$1.50	May 1	Apr. 17	Taylor-Colquitt 7% pf.....	*\$1.75	Q	July 1	June 30					
Am Superior 1st pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	June 20	Moore Bk & Tr Co (St L).....	.20c	Q	June 10	Tex-O-Kan Fl M 7% pf.....	.12½c	Q	July 1	May 15					
Am Tob pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	June 10	Matheson Alkali Wks, Inc.....	.25c	Q	June 30	Thermoid Co \$3 conv pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 5					
Am Toll Bridge Co.....	.2c	Q	June 15	June 1	Do .....	.25c	Q	June 11	Tide Wat Asso Oil pf.....	\$1.25	Q	July 1	June 10				
Do .....	.2c	Sep. 1	.....	Mengel Strs \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	Q	June 15	Todd Shipyards Corp.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 1				
Do .....	.2c	Q	June 15	May 15	Merch Fire Ins.....	.30c	Q	May 15	Union Carbide & C.....	.20c	Q	July 1	June 4				
Do .....	.2c	Q	June 15	May 15	Milford Metal Prod 6% pf.....	\$1.50	May 1	Apr. 17	U S Sugar Corp.....	.10c	Q	June 11	June 1				
Am Trout (San Francisco), 40c.....	.50c	Q	July 1	May 29	Do \$5 pr pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	May 28	Upson-Walton Co.....	.50c	Q	June 21	June 10				
App E1 Rf \$7 pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	June 1	Do \$6 pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	May 28	Waldorf System.....	.30c	Q	July 1	June 28				
Arnold Const & Co.....	.12½c	Q	June 25	June 15	Do \$7 pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	May 28	Wesson O & S.....	.12½c	Q	July 1	June 15				
Ash Oil & Ref.....	.10c	Q	June 30	June 21	Do \$8 pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	May 28	Western L & T \$1.75 pf.....	.43c	Q	June 21	June 10				
Do pf.....	\$1.25	Q	June 15	.....	Do 7% pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	May 28	Westmoreland, Inc.....	.30c	Q	July 1	June 15			
As Br of Can, Ltd.....	.20c	Q	June 30	June 15	Mich Assoc Tel 6% pf.....	.50c	July 1	June 15	Worcester Salt.....	.50c	Q	June 30	June 19					
Do pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 1	June 15	Mohawk Carpet M.....	.30c	Q	June 10	Wright-Har Mines, Ltd.....	.10c	Q	July 1	June 8					
Atchison pf.....	.25c	S Aug. 5	June 25	Do A.....	.50c	Q	July 15	Montgomery Ward.....	.50c	Q	Aug. 12	Yale & Towne Mfg.....	.15c	Q	July 1	June 10		
Atlas Press Co.....	.10c	.....	June 15	June 1	Do A.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 18	Accumulated.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Barber W H Co.....	.25c	Q	June 15	June 1	Mutual System.....	.5c	Q	July 15	May 29	Amer Win GI Co 7% pf.....	.57	Q	June 15	June 1				
Barclay D Col & Over-seas cum.....	.48c	Q	June 15	.....	Do pf.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 30	Bruce (EL) Co, old & new.....	.50c	Q	June 1	May 15			
Beech Cr R R Co.....	.50c	Q	June 15	June 1	Do 5% pf.....	.125	Q	June 21	June 10	Car & Hold, Ltd, A D R.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bell Tel Pa 6½% pf.....	\$1.62c	Q	July 1	June 19	Do 6% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Canada Bk of B.....	.12½c	Q	July 1	June 15				
Berghoff Brew Co.....	.25c	Q	June 15	June 5	Do 7% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Comwith & So 6% pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 11				
Black & Decker Mfg Co.....	.25c	Q	June 30	June 8	Do 8% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Dayton Rubber Mfg.....	.51	Q	June 25	June 10				
Bohn Alum & Brass.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 9% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	East GAF A 6% pf.....	.75c	Q	July 1	June 15				
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co 6% pf.....	.33	S June 15	June 1	Do 10% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Hart-Cart Co \$2 conv pf.....	.50c	Q	June 1	May 15					
Brazil Tract pf.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 11% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Agrl Crp pr pf.....	.33	Q	June 17	June 10				
Brazilian Tract L & P G Co.....	.25c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 12% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Brldg & Constr Co 6% pf.....	.12½c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 13% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Brillo Mig.....	.20c	Q	June 30	.....	Do 14% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Do A.....	.50c	Q	July 1	June 18	Do 15% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Bridgeman Pwr A.....	.45c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 16% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Broad St Cr Pwr (Phila,Pa.).....	.50c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 17% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Can Bread pf, B.....	.62½c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 18% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Do pf, A.....	\$1.25	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 19% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Canada Nat Pw Cp.....	.30c	Q	June 26	June 30	Do 20% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Do pf.....	\$1.75	Q	July 15	.....	Do 21% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Caribou Gold Quartz Min Co, Ltd.....	.24c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 22% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Cashier Ins Co.....	.87½c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 23% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Central West Co.....	.51	Q	June 15	.....	Do 24% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Cinn New OrTex Pac Ry \$5	.8	S June 24	June 10	Do 25% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30					
City & Suburban Homes.....	.15c	S June 4	June 1	Do 26% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30					
Clorox Chemical.....	.75c	Q	June 25	.....	Do 27% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Colonial Finance Co (Lima, Ohio) 5½% pf.....	\$1.37c	Q	June 1	May 15	Do 28% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Col Brew, Inc. A.....	.87½c	Q	July 1	June 15	Do 29% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Do B.....	.25c	Q	June 17	June 10	Do 30% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Commercial Credit Co.....	.25c	Q	June 15	.....	Do 31% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30			
Do 4% ev pf.....	\$1.06½c	Q	June 30	June 10	Do 32% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Conn & Passum RivRR 6% pf.....	\$3	S Aug. 2	July 1	May 15	Do 33% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Consol L'dries \$7.50 pf, \$1.87c	Q	July 1	July 15	Do 34% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30					
Consol Power Co, \$4.50 pf, \$1.25c	Q	July 1	July 15	Do 35% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30					
Do \$5 pf.....	\$1.25	Q	July 1	July 15	Do 36% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30				
Continental Dian Fibre Co, .50c	Q	July 1	July 15	Do 37% pf.....	.125	Q	July 1	June 19	Inter Crp Pf 6% pf.....	.56	Q	July 15	June 30					
ContinentalG Co, Inc., 6½% pf.....	\$1.50	Q	July 1	July 15	Do 38% pf.....	.12												

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Bond Transactions — New York Stock Exchange

For Week Ended Saturday, May 29

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1937. Sales **TREASURY BONDS**

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Range, 1937. Sales High. Low. in 1000s.										Range, 1937. Sales High. Low. in 1000s.										Range, 1937. Sales High. Low. in 1000s.									
	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.										
126 117 1 TENN C & I R R 5s, '51.....	120%	120%	120%	120%		105% 96%	22	Utah L & T 5s, A, 1944.....	99	98%	+ 1%			106% 99%	111	West Md 1st 4s, 1952.....	104%	103%	104%										
105 103 37 Tenn Cop & C 6s, B, '44.....	103%	103%	103%	103%	+ 1%	106% 98%	80	Utah P & L 5s, 1944.....	101	98%	- 1%			107% 105%	4	Do 51s, 1977.....	107%	107%	107%										
104 87% 23 Tenn El Pw 6s, A, '47.....	93	90%	83	+ 3		67% 49%	13	Util P & L 5s, 1959, ww.....	49%	49%	49%			111% 106%	2	W N Y & Pa gen 4s, '43.....	107%	107%	107%										
116% 116% 40 Term Asan St L 4s, '53.....	108%	108%	108%	108%		69	50	48	Do 51s, 1947.....	50%	50%	+ 1%			40%	32%	16	West Pac 5s, A, '46.....	* 33	33	33	- 1%							
118% 118% 8 Texarkana 5 1/2s, '50.....	108%	108%	108%	108%		111	98%	18	VANAD cony 5s, 1941.....	103%	102%	102%	- 1%		39%	32%	20	Do 5s, 1958.....	* 33	32	32%	- 2%							
106% 103% 8 Texarkana 5 1/2s, '50.....	105%	104%	105%	105%		51%	3%	4	V Cr & P 1st 4s, 1934, as.....	* 3%	3%	3%			111% 98%	65	West Un 4s, 1950.....	101	100%	101									
106% 101 29 Texas & Pac B, '77.....	103%	103%	103%	103%		41%	21%	45	Ves Sag 1st 7s, 1942, cts.....	* 25%	21%	21%	- 2%		104% 101%	16	Do 5s, 1958.....	102	102	102									
108% 101 29 Do 5s, C, '79.....	103%	103%	103%	103%		109% 104%	39	Ves Elv P 1st 4s, 1955.....	108%	107%	108%	- 1%		109% 108%	120	Do 5s, 1960.....	101%	101%	101%	+ 1%									
108% 100% 42 Do 5s, D, '80.....	104	103%	103%	103%		107% 101%	66	Ves Ryw 3 1/2s, 1966.....	104%	104%	104%	+ 1%		103% 97%	104	Do 5s, 1961.....	104%	104%	104%	+ 1%									
128% 118% 25 Do 1st 5s, 2000.....	121%	121	121	+ 1		44	34%	43	Do 5s, D, 1980.....	* 35%	34%	34%	- 2%		103% 97%	106	W H L & L 1st 4s, '49.....	* 26%	26	26	+ 1%								
105% 100 132 Texas Corp 3 1/2s, '51.....	103%	103%	103%	103%		101	94	4	Ves & S W con 5s, 1958.....	96%	96%	96%	- 1%		103% 97%	107	Wheel Sti L 1st 4s, '49.....	* 25	24	25	- 2%								
73% 45 Third Av ref 4s, '60.....	55%	48	48	- 7%		43%	32%	21	WABASH 41s, 1978.....	* 35	32%	33	- 1%		105% 102%	102	White S M 6s, 1940.....	103	102%	103	- 1%								
46% 23% 238 Do adj inc 5s, '60.....	26%	24	24	- 1%		39%	30%	10	Do 4s, 1978, cts.....	* 30%	30%	30%	- 1%		47	32%	4	Wick Sp St 1st 7s, '35, cts.....	* 37	35	35	- 1%							
100% 97% 13 Tide Water Oil 3 1/2s, '52.....	100%	99%	100%	+ 1%		103%	90%	75	Do 1st 5s, 1939.....	* 94%	91%	93%	- 2%		47	31%	2	Wilk B & E 1st 5s, '42.....	* 374	34%	34%	- 1%							
108% 101 1 1/2 Tol & Ohio C 3 1/2s, '60.....	104%	104%	104%	104%		98%	81	2	Do 5s, 1939.....	* 83%	83	83	- 1%		62	27%	3	Willmar & F 8 s, '38.....	29%	28%	28%	- 1%							
103% 102% 7 1/2 Tol & St L & Wn 4s, 1950.....	98%	98%	98%	+ 1%		44	34%	43	Do 5s, D, 1980.....	* 36%	34	34	- 2%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
123 116 2 Tri Cont'd Ms, 1953.....	117	117	117	+ 1		44	34%	43	Do 5s, D, 1975.....	* 37	35	35	- 2%		103% 97%	77	Wis C 1st gen 4s, '49.....	* 26%	26	26	+ 1%								
107% 104% 50 UN E L & P 5s, 1957.....	105%	104%	105%	- 1%		77%	70%	20	Do 1st 4s, 1978, cts.....	* 34%	32%	33	- 1%		105% 102%	102	White S M 6s, 1940.....	103	102%	103	- 1%								
106% 102% 50 Do 5s, 1954.....	102%	102%	102%	- 1%		90%	84	10	Do 4s, 1978, cts.....	* 30%	30%	30%	- 1%		47	32%	4	Wick Sp St 1st 7s, '35, cts.....	* 37	35	35	- 1%							
114% 109% 15 Union Oil Calif 3 1/2s, 1952.....	117%	116%	116%	- 1%		90%	77	50	Warner Br cr 6s, 1954.....	* 84%	80	80	- 1%		103% 99%	65	West Un 4s, 1950.....	101	100%	101	- 1%								
121% 116% 3 Union Gas, A, 1942, as.....	117%	116%	116%	- 1%		76	61	50	Warren Br cr 6s, '41.....	* 64	61%	61%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
106% 103 103 Do 1st ref 4s, 1948.....	106%	106%	106%	- 1%		100%	94	50	Warren Qua 6s, 1954.....	* 84%	80	80	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
101% 92% 28 Do 3 1/2s, 1970.....	97%	96%	96%	- 1%		103%	106%	72	Wash Term 3 1/2s, '45.....	108%	107%	108%	- 1%		103% 103%	65	Wash Term 3 1/2s, '45.....	101%	101%	101%	+ 1%								
116% 111% 3 Do 1st ref 5s, 2008.....	115%	115%	115%	- 1%		122%	110%	50	Wash W P 1st 5s, '39.....	107%	107%	107%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
107% 106% 2 Unit Biscuit 5s, 1950.....	106%	106%	106%	- 1%		109%	106%	2	W Penn F P 1st 4s, H, 1961.....	109%	109%	109%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
98% 97% 7 Union Carb 5s, 1950.....	97%	96%	96%	- 1%		123%	117	2	Do 5s, 1958, E, 1963.....	119	118%	119%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
36% 27% 7 In Rye St L 4s, 1934.....	33%	28%	28%	- 1%		169%	162%	3	Do 3 1/2s, 1966.....	104%	104%	104%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								
107% 105% 61 U S Rubber 5s, 1947.....	107	106%	106%	- 1%		100%	90%	29	W Sh 1st 5s, gtd, 2361.....	92%	91%	92%	- 1%		103% 99%	48	Wilson & Co 4s, '55.....	100%	100%	100%	+ 1%								

* Selling flat due to default in principal, interest or both. + Selling flat for other reasons. ¹ Negotiability impaired by maturity.² Companies reported in receivership or being reorganized.Transactions on the New York Curb Exchange
For Week Ended Saturday, May 29

Stocks and Bonds marked with an asterisk are fully listed on the Curb Exchange; others are dealt in as unlisted issues.										1937—Stock and Dividend High. Low. in Dollars.										1937—Stock and Dividend High. Low. in Dollars.									
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	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Sales.		High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Sales.						
42 ACME W v t c (2).....	42	42	42	- 1/2	50		20	20	20	- 3	200		6 *Detr Pipe (25c).....	6	6	6	0%	400		6 *Detr Pipe (25c).....	6	6	6	0%	400				
6% 3% *Aero Supply Mfg. B.....	4%	4	4	+ 1%	700		51%	46	Buckeye Pipe L (4).....	49	49	49		64	50	50	0%	500		5% *Dot Steel Pr (b25c).....	53%	49	49						

Transactions on the New York Curb Exchange—Continued

1937—Stock and Dividend in Dollars.											
	High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.	Sales	Net	High.	Low.	Last.	Chge.	Sales
High-Iowa PW.	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	700	37	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	—	1
33 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dt pf (24c).	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,800	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100
13 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do A. off.	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	900	67	43 $\frac{1}{2}$	OHIO BRASS, B (b75c).	63	54
24 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Imp C I (29c).	22	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,800	110	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ohio Edison pf (6).	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	99 $\frac{1}{2}$
24 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do rg (50c).	x 21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	100	111 $\frac{1}{2}$	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ohio Oil cum pf (6).	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	107 $\frac{1}{2}$
44 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	Imp Tob, Gt B & I (b84 $\frac{1}{2}$ c).	38	38	38	600	112	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ohio Power pf (6).	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	110
15	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ind Pipe Line (b30c).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	200	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Okla. Nat Gas.	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13
36	20	Indiana Serv 6% pf.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	—	70	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	26	*Do pf.	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
39 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	Do 7% pf.	26	26	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	30	6	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Diodetyme Dist.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
103 $\frac{1}{2}$	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ind'p P & L pf (6%).	92 $\frac{1}{2}$	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,100	6	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Diodetyme Dist.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
4 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ind'p III Off. A.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	400	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	PAC G&E 1st pf (1%).	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	
4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do B.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	400	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pac Lighting pf (6).	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	
2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Indus Fine V. c.	13	13	13	50	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Pac P S 1st pf (1.30%).	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
22 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	Do 7% pf.	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	50	54 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Pac P S 2nd pf (2).	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	
7 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ins Co of N Am (2%).	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	850	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	Philco Am (1).	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	
4 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	Intl Hold & Inv Co.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	200	97 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Pantepco Inc.	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	
2 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	Intl Hyd E. S. A. war.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,100	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Parrot Motors Corp.	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
44	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do cv pf.	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,800	43	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Fend (D) Gr. A (3 $\frac{1}{2}$).	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	13	Intl Metal Ind. A.	13	13	13	25	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do B (50c).	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
39 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	Intl Petro cp (1 $\frac{1}{2}$).	x 36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35	—	400	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	Penninsular Tel (1.60%).	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	
8 $\frac{1}{2}$	61	Intl Products	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	300	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Penn's Corp (a25c).	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	
13 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	Intl Tele (b25c).	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	600	112	82	Pens P & L pf (6).	88 $\frac{1}{2}$	82
21 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	Intl Safe R. B.	1	1	—	200	113	89	Do pf (7).	92	89
21 $\frac{1}{2}$	16	Intl Utl. A.	17	17	—	1,100	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Pens Salv (03 $\frac{1}{2}$).	174 $\frac{1}{2}$	174 $\frac{1}{2}$	
31 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	Do B.	15	15	—	700	76	76	Do B (50c).	104 $\frac{1}{2}$	104 $\frac{1}{2}$
5 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	Do war new.	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	500	37	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Perfect Circle (12%).	34	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
42 $\frac{1}{2}$	37	Intl Vitamin (50c).	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	Phila El Co pf (5).	114	114	
24 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	Interstate Hos. (2 $\frac{1}{2}$).	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	—	80	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Phillips Pack'g (a50c).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	
27 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	Int'l Fw. Del. pf.	21	21	21	250	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Phoenix See Corp.	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Iron Fire M v t c (1.20%).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pioneer G M. Ltd (40c) x.	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	
2 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Irving Air Ch (1).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,600	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pit Bow P M (140c).	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	
2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Italian Super. A.	1	1	—	1,100	88 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pitts Forgings Co.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	JACORS (F L) CO (b50c).	16	15	16	1	3,400	Pitts Forgings Co.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	
14	7	Jeanette GI (a60c).	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	—	1,200	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pitts Forgings Co.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	
89	77	Jer C P & L pf (5 $\frac{1}{2}$).	77	77	77	50	50	Pitman Plastics (b2 $\frac{1}{2}$).	127	127	
96 $\frac{1}{2}$	82 $\frac{1}{2}$	Do pf (6).	82 $\frac{1}{2}$	82 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	116 $\frac{1}{2}$	Plaza El Co pf (5).	114	114	
126 $\frac{1}{2}$	102	Jones & Laugh Steel.	102	102	102	100	128 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Pofco Mfg (a20c).	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	
28 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	KEN T & L. A. (b37 $\frac{1}{2}$ c).	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	200	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Prudential Inv (a50c).	102 $\frac{1}{2}$	102 $\frac{1}{2}$	
8 $\frac{1}{2}$	47	Kingston Prod. (40c).	x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,500	1	*Prod Corp.	1	1	
5 $\frac{1}{2}$	54	Kirby Prod. (20c).	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	5,700	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	*Raytheon Mfg v t c.	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	
1 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	Kirk L Gold (6c).	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Rice St D Gds (b50c).	114	114	
21 $\frac{1}{2}$	17	Kirkie El Co (1%).	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	250	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reed Bank Oil.	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	
111 $\frac{1}{2}$	106	Kopp Co pf (60c).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reed Roll B (80c).	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	
12 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Kress (H S Co) sp pf (60c).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,000	60 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reeders Foods (Dan) (50c).	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	
21 $\frac{1}{2}$	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	Krueger (G) Br (1%).	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	200	68 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reliance Foundry (12%).	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	
42	18	Lion Oil Ref. (1).	1	1	—	1,000	98 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reliance El & E (b50c).	114	114	
7	24	Lit Bros.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,200	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	REQUAR OATS (5).	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	110	
23	23	Loblaw Gr. Ltd. A. (11).	24	24	24	900	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	*RAINBOW LUM. P. B.	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	
18 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	Locke St Chain (180c).	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	800	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	Raytheon Mfg v t c.	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	
16 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Lockheed Air.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	2,800	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	Red Bank Oil.	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	
14 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Long Star Gas (80c).	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,800	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reed Roll B (80c).	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	
6 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Long Island Lt.	4	4	—	1,200	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reeders Foods (Dan) (50c).	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	
93	76	Do pf A (7).	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	100	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	Reliance Foundry (12%).	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	
80	65	Do pf B (6).	68	67 $\frac{1}{2}$	+ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,500	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	RESTER F. B.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
15 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Louisiana L & Ex (40c).	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	4,500	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	RESTER F. B.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
8 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Lucky T C G M (12c).	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	200	48 $\frac{1}{2}$	RESTER F. B.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
42	38	Lynch Corp (12c).	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,000	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	RESTER F. B.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
5 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	MAJESTIC R. & T.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	900	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	RESTER F. B.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	
33 $\frac{1}{2}$	17	Margay Oil (1).	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1,000	141 $\frac{1}{2}$	SAFETY H & L (b4).	132	132	
22 $\frac{1}{2}$	13	Marion Steam Shovel.	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	500	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	SAFETY H & L (b4).	132	132	
3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	Mass Util Asso.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	—	500	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	SAN ANTHONY GOLD.</			

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1937— High. Low.										1937— High. Low.										1937— High. Low.													
Net Sales in 1000s.					Net Sales in 1000s.					Net Sales in 1000s.					Net Sales in 1000s.					Net Sales in 1000s.					Net Sales in 1000s.								
113½ 110% *Commonwealth Ed 5s, A., 1952.	112	112	112	..	6	104	91	Mem P & L 5s, A., 1948.	94½ 91	91	2	28	103½ 93½ S'west As Tl 5s, A., 1951.	95½ 93½	93½ 2½	..	6	13	103½ 93½ S'west As Tl 5s, A., 1951.	95½ 93½	93½ 2½	..	13	103½ 93½ S'west As Tl 5s, A., 1951.	95½ 93½	93½ 2½	..	13					
113½ 110% *Do 5s, B., 1954.	112	112	112	..	1	115	105	Mengel 4½s, 1947.	112½ 109½	109½	1½	34	104½ 99½ S'west P & L 5s, A., 1957.	101½ 101½	101½ 101½	..	8	104½ 99½ S'west P & L 5s, A., 1957.	101½ 101½	101½ 101½	..	8	104½ 99½ S'west P & L 5s, A., 1957.	101½ 101½	101½ 101½	..	8						
111½ 107% *Do 4½s, C., 1956.	111	111	111	..	9	107½ 101½ Mid St. Pet 6½s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	1	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12	104½ 88½ S'west Pub Ss 5s, A., 1945.	103½ 103½	103½ 1½	12
112 107% *Do 4½s, D., 1957.	107	107	107	..	2	97½ 92½ Mid Y R R 5s, 1943.	90½ 88½	89½ 3½	13	105½ 71½ Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	105½ 71½ Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	105½ 71½ Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	105½ 71½ Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	105½ 71½ Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
106½ 102% *Do 4½s, F., 1951.	106	106	106	..	38	106½ 100% Milwaukee G Lt 4½s, 1978.	103½ 102%	102½ 1½	5	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	13				
106½ 102% *Do 4½s, H., 1965.	106	106	106	..	7	102½ 95½ Minn P & L 4½s, 1978.	95½ 97½	98½ 1½	1	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Conn Pub Sv 5s, A., 1930.	104	104	104	..	26	106 100% Miss Power 5s, 1955.	103½ 102%	102½ 1½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Conn Pub Sv 5s, A., 1930.	104	104	104	..	26	106 100% Miss Power 5s, 1955.	103½ 102%	102½ 1½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Conn'ry P & L 5s, 1957.	104	104	104	..	1	106 100% Miss River Pw 5s, 1955.	85½ 84½	85½ 1½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Conn'ry P & L 5s, 1957.	104	104	104	..	1	106 100% Miss River Pw 5s, 1955.	85½ 84½	85½ 1½	13	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Crucible 5s, 1940.	104	104	104	..	8	106 100% Mun S 8½s, 1957.	94½ 93½	94½ 1½	12	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *Crucible 5s, 1940.	104	104	104	..	8	106 100% Mun S 8½s, 1957.	94½ 93½	94½ 1½	12	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
104 102% *D Elec Power 5½s, 1959.	104	104	104	..	2	107 100% NASS & SUFF LT 5s, A., 1945.	104½ 104%	104½ 1½	12	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23				
104 102% *Denver Gas & Elec 5s, 1949.	104	104	104	..	4	107 100% NASS & SUFF LT 5s, A., 1945.	104½ 104%	104½ 1½	12	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23	107 100% VA PUB SERVs 6s, 1946.	91½ 90%	91½ 1½	23				
107½ 105% *Det City Gas 6s, A., 1948.	107	107	107	..	32	110 107½ Nebraska Pw 4½s, 1951.	108½ 108%	108½ 1½	2	108 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	108 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	108 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	108 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	108 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
106½ 103% Do 5s, B., 1950.	106	106	106	..	17	126½ 116% Do 6s, A., 2022.	105½ 105%	105½ 1½	1	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
12½ 7 Det Int Bridge 5½s, 1952 cod.	12½	12½	12½	..	1	110 100% Neisler Br 6s, 1948.	105½ 104%	105½ 1½	1	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
4½ 2½ Do 7s, 1952.	4½	4½	4½	..	1	109 100% Nevada-Cali 5s, 1956.	104½ 104%	104½ 1½	1	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22				
4½ 2½ Do 7s, 1952.	4½	4½	4½	..	1	109 100% Nevada-Cali 5s, 1956.	104½ 104%	104½ 1½	1	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106 100% Stan G & E 6s, 1935.	71½ 71½	71½ 71½	22	106							

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CHICAGO SECURITIES

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Chicago Stock Exchange

STOCKS

Sales. High.Low.Last. Sales. High.Low.Last.

300 Abbott Lab	48	47	50 Public S.	78	78
200 Adv. Alum.	9	8½	500 Du p. 77½	77	77
850 Aetna B.	13	13	30 Do 6% pf. 111½	111	111½
300 Allied Pr.	17½	16½	60 Do 7% pf. 117	117	117
150 Do A.	22½	21	300 Quaker O.	112½	110
50 Allied Lab.	37½	32½	160 Du p. 112	140	142
50 Alt. B. pf.	37½	37½	250 Rath Pck.	19½	19½
410 Do P. S. pf	65½	63½	100 Reliance M.	25	25
500 Am. Armo.	12	11½	220 Rol. H. pf.	25	25
650 asbestos M.	24½	23½	50 St. N.Y. S.	74	74
150 Assoc. In.	51	51	750 Sangamo El. S.	37	37
100 Athey T. W.	10	10	150 Schweizer C	21½	21½
150 Auton. Pr.	7½	7	500 Serrick C B	13	12½
300 A. W. c. pf.	7½	6½	150 Signode Stl.	35	33
50 Backstay W.	18	18	180 Do pf.	32	31
150 Barb. WHC.	16½	16½	10 Silver St. C	23½	23½
100 Brilow's A.	17	17	300 South B.	23½	23½
50 Bastian-B.	20½	20½	70 SW G&E pf	103	103
150 Bendix A.	10½	10½	40 SW. G&P pf	92	92
700 Beringer E.	10½	10½	1,500 Do pf.	18½	18½
150 Binst. Mfg.	12½	12½	100 Stein A.	17½	17½
1,250 Bliss & L.	38	38	500 Storkline F.	10½	10½
4,600 Borg-W.	45	46½	250 Sunstrand MT	22	22
650 B. F. & W.	14	13½	900 Swift	24½	24½
250 Do A. pf.	27½	27½	1,200 Swift Int.	31	31
400 Bruce E. L.	20½	20	450 Trans.	22½	22½
900 Butler Bros.	14½	14½	1,800 Ultra. Radio.	3½	3½
100 Do p. pf.	29½	29½	500 Util. & Ind.	1	1
250 C. C. pf.	2½	2½	250 Do pf.	3½	3½
140 CIPS pf.	68	68	650 Wahl	2½	2½
350 Cen. I. S.	2	2	900 Walgreen	27½	26½
100 Cen. I. S.	14½	14½	500 Woodall Ind.	11	11
4,700 C&S W. U.	27	23	500 Woodland Ind.	11	11
170 Do st. pf.	51½	50½	850 Zenith Rad.	34½	33
220 Do S. pf.	92	92	BONDS.		
100 CS P&L pf.	10½	10	50 Maj. R&T.	3½	3½
70 Chain Belt.	64	63½	100 Schmidt Br.	1½	1½
110 Cherry-B.	78	78	550 Honolulu O.	28	28
200 Childs W.	4½	4½	100 Hucht Sug.	22	22
3,400 Chi Corp.	4½	4½	100 Sterling B.	6½	6½
825 Chi. Corp.	43	43	422 Langen. A.	15	14½
150 Chl. El. M. A.	21	20	423 Leslie-Salt.	38	38½
150 Chl. F. Shaft.	65	65	800 LeTourneau	37	36
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	910 Lockheed	12½	12½
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	1,600 Lyons-Mg. B	1½	1½
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	20 Mag. 6% pf	103½	103½
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	670 Eason. O.	3½	3½
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	200 Hum. R. pf.	11	11½
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	510 K. T. Eng.	7	7
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	425 All. B.-D.	.57	.57
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	725 Fr. Fehr Br.	1	1
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	1,135 P. O. Fox Br.	10½	10½
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	250 Heideli.	.67	.67
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	50 Maj. R&T.	3½	3½
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 Schmidt Br.	1½	1½
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	550 Honolulu O.	28	28
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 Kleib. Mot.	.31	.31
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 McBur. Sug.	6½	6½
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	12,100 M. J&M. & M.		
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	422 Langen. A.	.15	.14½
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	423 Leslie-Salt.	.38	.38½
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	800 LeTourneau	37	36
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	910 Lockheed	12½	12½
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	1,065 Olao Sugar.	12½	11½
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	30 Onomea Sug.	42	41½
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	250 Pac. Clay.	10½	10½
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	30 Packard	.9	.9
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	400 P. Utan. Oil.	.5	.5
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	500 Dom. Dom. Oil.	.50	.50
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	200 Dum. Dom. Oil.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	150 Do. pf.	.19	.19
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	20 Galland Me.	36½	36½
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	660 Gen. Motors.	.57½	.56
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 Gen. Pet.	.15	.15
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 Glor. Fr. Fr.	10½	10½
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
20 Chl. Towel.	75	75	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
600 Chl. Y. Cab.	18	18	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
3,200 Cities Serv.	3½	3½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
50 Club Alum.	1½	1½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
300 Con. Biscuit.	10½	10½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
350 Con. I. G.	42	40	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
700 Con. Biscuit.	6½	6½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
650 Consumers.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
100 C. R. pt. et s.	11½	11½	100 H. Eng. Co.	.22	.22
30 Do. pt. et s.	¾	¾	100 H. Eng. Co		

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MICHIGAN MARKETS
DETROIT LISTED STOCKS
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REAL ESTATE BONDS

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Baltimore Stock Exchange**STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS****STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS**

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
200 Arundel ... 21	20%	20%	20%	1,050 N Amst Cas	14%	14	14
202 Atl Cat L ... 51	50	51		100 Owings Mills			
242 Balt Tr c ... 2	1%	2		Dist ... 7%	7%	7%	
253 Do p ... 54	5	5		2 Pa W&P pf 108	108	108	
200 Bl & Deck 29	27%	27%		500 US Fl & G 24	23%	23%	
193 Cons GL&P 72%	71%	71%		13 W Natl Bk 34%	34%	34%	
59 Do p ... 114	114	114		ODD LOTS			
200 E Sub Asso 12	27%	27%		160 Arundel ... 21	20%	21	
120 Do p ... 39%	39%	39%		135 Black & D 29%	26%	27%	
3 FinCom MA 13	13	13		25 E Sug Ass 27%	27%	27%	
25 Fid G Fire 41	41	41		13 W Natl Bk 12% 122%			
10 F&Dep Md 122	122	122		25 FidGuarFire 41%	40%		
3 Gifd Rty pf 60	60	60		180 Hstn Oil pf 22%	22%	22%	
1,000 Houston vtc				36 Mon W Pa			
pf new ... 22%	22%	22%		PS 7%pf 26%	26%	26%	
100 Mfrs Fin ... 1				83 N Amst Cas 14%	14%	14%	
56 Do pf ... 10%	10%	10%		397 Anaconda C 55%	53%	55%	
115 Do 2d pf ... 1%	1%	1%		378 B & O R 33%	31%	31%	
100 Mon-Tex Oil 2,371	2%	3%	3%	176 Cities Serv. 3%	3%	3%	
25 March & M 34%	34%	34%		306 Curtiss-Wr. 5%	5%	5%	
75 Mongona W				374 Gen Elec. 51%	52%	53	
PaPSIpf 26%	26%	26%		15 Nat Steel ... 73%	79%	79%	
15 Mt V Woodb				195 Pack Motor. 9%	9%	9%	
Mills pf 75	75	75		96 Penn'd vtc. 3%	3%	3%	
				210 Penna R R 44%	41%	42	
				417 Republic St. 37%	34%	35%	
				298 Radio Corp. 9%	8%	9%	

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another Van Sweringen system or an "In-sull empire." The objective of those now in control of the Van Sweringen system, Mr. Young declared, is to reorganize it and put it on a basis where millions of investors can recoup their losses.

Mr. Young was questioned as to details of the application for the consolidation into a single, or as he described it, "A greater C. & O. system" of the Chesapeake & Ohio, Erie, Nickel Plate and Pere Marquette Roads, which application is now pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission. The I. C. C. rejected the application in 1926 on the ground that the "financial set-up" behind the proposed merger was not in the public interest. Mr. Young appeared hopeful that the action of the I. C. C. on the pending application will be favorable.

Central of Georgia Railway (4-16-37)—The road has applied to the I. C. C. for authorization to issue \$1,400,000 in 4 per cent equipment certificates. The proceeds are to be applied to the purchase of 600 steel box cars, five air-cooled passenger coaches and three steel express cars. The securities are to mature in fifteen years.

Chesapeake Corporation (5-7-37)—See item under Allegany Corporation.

Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville—A plan for reorganization of the road, known as the Monon, was filed last week by H. R. Kurrie, president, with Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson in the United States District Court in Chicago and with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington. If approved, the plan would give the Southern Railway Company and the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company 52.8 per cent of all the preferred and the no-par common stock to be issued in carrying the plan out.

The Monon was placed under the jurisdiction of the Federal court on Dec. 30, 1933, under Section 77 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act.

Among the principal obligations are a \$14,998,000 refunding mortgage and a first and general mortgage, a second lien, of which \$9,901,000 is outstanding. Equipment trust certificates of a little more than \$500,000 are not in default. Indebtedness secured by collateral includes a note of \$750,000 held by the Chase National Bank of New York and notes totaling \$1,649,913 held by the Railroad Credit Corporation.

The road also is indebted under notes of various amounts to the Louisville & Nashville and the Southern Railway, and it has guaranteed \$253,000 of bonds of the Indiana Stone Railroad and \$1,172,000 of the Indianapolis & Louisville. No interest on any of the bonds has been paid since the road entered bankruptcy.

Under the plan the equipment trust certificates will be left undisturbed. With respect to the refunding mortgage bonds and the obligations of the Indianapolis & Louisville and the Indiana Stone Railroad, a new first mortgage of the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville Railroad Company is to be executed. This is to consist of Series A and Series B bonds, dated July 1, 1936, and to mature in fifty years.

The Series A bonds will bear interest of 3½ per cent and will be limited in amount to 35 per cent of the bonds now in default. They are to be exchanged on the basis of \$250 par value for each \$1,000 face amount of the defaulted bonds. The Series B

Pittsburgh**STOCKS**

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
205 Auto Fin. ... 5%	5%	5%	5%
320 Carnegie Met. 2%	2%	2%	2%
100 Cent O St. 15%	15%	15%	15%
400 D. L. Clark 6	5%	5%	5%
403 Devonian O. 24	24	24	24
320 Duquesne Br. 21	20%	20%	20%
305 Follans B. 35%	33	35%	35%
940 Fort Pitt Br. 1%	1%	1%	1%
10 Jean Pf Gl pf. 70	70	70	70
60 Koppers Co. 109%	109	108	108
643 L & Star Gas. 11%	11%	11%	11%
533 Michigan Fuel. 9%	8%	8%	8%
780 Natl Firepr. 6%	6%	6%	6%
300 Penn Fed. 1%	1%	1%	1%
50 Pitts Br pf. 40	40	40	40
70 Pitts Pl Gl. 122%	120%	120%	122%
3,000 San Toy M. 2%	2%	2%	2%
5,860 Shan O & G 7%	6%	6%	7%
90 Shan O pf. 14	13%	14	14
150 U S Glass. 3%	3%	3%	3%
397 Bell Al St 54	53	53	53
3,475 Victor Elec. 1	1	1	1
138 West Air Br. 45%	44%	44%	44%
37 West El&M. 138%	136%	136%	136%
36 Mon W Pa			
PS 7%pf 26%	26%	26%	26%
83 N Amst Cas 14%	14%	14%	14%
397 Anaconda C 55%	53%	55%	55%
378 B & O R 33%	31%	31%	31%
176 Cities Serv. 3%	3%	3%	3%
306 Curtiss-Wr. 5%	5%	5%	5%
374 Gen Elec. 51%	52%	53	53
15 Nat Steel ... 73%	79%	79%	79%
195 Pack Motor. 9%	9%	9%	9%
96 Penn'd vtc. 3%	3%	3%	3%
210 Penna R R 44%	41%	42	42
417 Republic St. 37%	34%	35%	35%
298 Radio Corp. 9%	8%	9%	9%

Pittsburgh**STOCKS**

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
17 Rustl I & St 13%	13%	13%	13%
177 Stand O N J 6%	6%	6%	6%
280 United Corp. 4%	4%	4%	4%
828 U S Steel... 101%	97%	100%	100%
80 Warner Bros 13%	13%	13%	13%
230 Burkart			
10 Do pf ... 32%	32%	32%	32%
5 Century El. 92	92	92	92
74 Coc-Cat Bot 39%	39%	39%	39%
340 Dr Pepper. 3%	3%	3%	3%
10 Elder Mfg. 20	20	20	20
28 Do pf ... 74	74	74	74
32 Engle El pf 101	101	101	101
540 Falstaff Br. 9%	8%	8%	8%
210 Bankers pf 39%	39	39	39
388 Bell T P pf 112%	112%	112%	112%
294 Do pf ... 20	20	20	20
110 Budd Wheel 9%	8%	8%	8%
252 Int'l Shoe. 44	44	44	44
152 Knapp-Mon. 39	39	39	39
332 Laclede-Ch. 19%	19%	19%	19%
50 Leach St. 25%	25%	25%	25%
50 Leach St. 25%	25%	25%	25%
50 Leach St. 25%	25%	25%	25%
270 Huss-Lig. 20%	20	20	20
110 Budd Wheel 50	50	50	50
15 Nat B M. 50	50	50	50
10 Do pf ... 29%	29%	29%	29%
125 Kahn 10%	10%	10%	10%
1 Do 1st pf 101	101	101	101
210 Kroger 19%	19%	19%	19%
19 Magnavox. 2	2	2	2
25 Moo Con. B 1	1	1	1
275 Moore C. A. 4%	4%	4%	4%
100 Tonopah B. 7%	7%	7%	7%
232 SW Bell pf 119%	119%	119%	119%
5,741 Un Gas Im 12%	12%	12%	12%
467 Union Trac. 5%	5%	5%	5%
15 United Corp. 4%	4%	4%	4%
2,185 Sals D. Oll. 14	13%	13%	13%
259 Phila. Trac. 12%	12%	12%	12%
4 Do pf ... 15	15	15	15
100 Toponah B. 1%	1%	1%	1%
740 Scullin pf 29%	27%	27%	27%
8 Do 8% pf 214	214	214	214
80 Randall. A. 20%	20%	20%	20%
85 Do B ... 7%	7%	7%	7%
94 Rapid 31	30	30	30
126 U S Print. 4%	4%	4%	4%
1 Do pf ... 15	15	15	15
150 Wurlitzer. 21%	21	21	21
53 Do 7% pf 114	110	110	113

St. Louis**STOCK EXCHANGE STOCKS**

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last.
20 Am Inv. 204	20	20	20
20 Do pf ... 34	34	34	34
42 Brown Shoe 16	16	16	16
80 Warner Bros 34%	34%	34%	34%
230 Burkart			
10 Do pf ... 32%	32%	32%	32%
5 Century El. 92	92	92	92
74 Coc-Cat Bot 39%	39%	39%	39%
340 Dr Pepper. 3%	3%	3%	3%
10 Elder Mfg. 20	20	20	20
28 Engle El. 20	20	20	20
32 Engle El. 101	101	101	101
55 Am Laund. 29	28	29	29
125 Baldwin pf. 92	92	92	92
10 Burger Br. 4	4	4	4
29 ChampP&F. 108	108	108	108
30 Churngold. 8%	8%	8%	8%
15 Clin Adv Pr. 12	12	12	12
10 Clin B Cr pf 4	4	4	4
225 Dom Exch. 103%	103%	103%	103%
7 C N O&T P. 375	375	375	375
135 Cin St Ry. 7%	7%	7%	7%
371 Cin Teleph. 89	86%	86%	86%
25 Cin Top W. 4	4	4	4
125 Cin UnStky 19	18%	18%	18%
5 Crosley Rad 22	22	22	22
75 Dow Drug. 7%	7%	7%	7%
4 Eagle-Pich. 19%	19%	19%	19%
4 Do pf ... 105	105	105	105
77 Engle El. 103	103	103	103
125 Kahn 10%	10%	10%	10%
1 Do 1st pf 101	101	101	101
210 Kroger 19%	19%	19%	19%
19 Magnavox. 2	2	2	2
25 Moo Con. B 1	1	1	1
275 Moore C. A. 4%	4%	4%	4%
10			

Banking Statistics—Brokers' Loans—Gold Reserves

Statement of Member Banks

PRINCIPAL RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN
101 LEADING CITIES

	All Reporting		Chicago		New York City		
LOANS	May 26	May 27	May 26	May 19	May 27	June 2	May 26, June 3
On securities:	1937	1937	1936	1937	1937	1936	1936
To brokers and dealers	\$1,324	\$1,323	\$1,154	\$44	\$42	\$43	\$1,140
To others	715	722	‡	81	81	‡	280
Com'l, industrial and agricultural loans:							
On securities	564	583	‡	33	33	‡	227
Otherwise sec'd and unsecured	3,668	3,606	‡	396	390	‡	1,433
Open market paper	492	496	‡	30	28	15	160
Loans on real estate	1,161	1,162	1,146	14	14	15	129
Loans to banks	110	118	65	3	3	6	74
Other loans:							
On securities	712	716	‡	23	23	‡	246
Otherwise sec'd and unsecured	783	774	‡	33	33	‡	167
Total all loans	\$9,529	\$9,500	\$8,299	\$657	\$647	\$497	\$3,856
INVESTMENTS							
U.S.Govt. obligations	\$8,308	\$8,314	\$8,920	\$961	\$956	\$969	\$3,060
Obligat'n's fully guaranteed by U.S.Gov.	1,159	1,162	1,290	95	95	94	428
Other securities	3,186	3,201	3,305	296	297	292	1,048
Total investments	\$12,653	\$12,677	\$13,515	\$1,352	\$1,348	\$1,355	\$4,536
TOTAL LOANS AND INVESTMENTS	\$22,182	\$22,177	\$21,814	\$2,009	\$1,995	\$1,852	\$8,392
Reserve with F.R. Bk.	\$5,385	\$5,349	\$4,690	\$593	\$609	\$691	\$2,440
Cash in vault	338	329	389	27	29	37	64
Bals. with domes. bks.	1,796	1,781	2,319	168	157	207	70
Other assets—net			64	63	76	480	483
Demand deposits, adjusted	15,528	15,425	14,562	1,523	1,505	1,459	6,359
Time deposits	5,222	5,205	5,028	449	449	462	727
Government deposits	181	182	747	78	79	101	23
Interbank deposits:							
Domestic banks	5,032	5,115	5,449	547	558	571	1,933
Foreign banks	553	527	378	7	6	4	518
Borrowings	4	24	...	...	...	9	...
Other liabilities			20	20	34	399	409
Capital account			237	236	232	1,478	1,474
Exempt banks							

Statement of the Federal Reserve Banks

	(Thousands)		Combined Fed. Res. Banks		N. Y. Federal Res. Bank		
ASSETS	June 3, 1937	May 26, 1937	June 3, 1936	June 2, 1937	May 26, 1937	June 3, 1936	
Gold certificates on hand and due from U. S. Treasury	\$8,838,401	\$8,838,414	\$7,840,037	\$3,311,491	\$3,377,286	\$3,054,070	
Redemption fund—F. R. notes	11,341	11,341	13,261	1,194	1,194	1,875	
Other cash	272,695	296,310	290,695	68,126	83,633	80,042	
Total reserves	\$9,122,437	\$9,146,065	\$8,143,993	\$3,381,811	\$3,462,113	\$3,135,987	
Bills discounted							
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations, direct or fully guaranteed	12,524	12,326	3,611	6,214	6,481	2,018	
Other bills discounted	4,961	3,372	2,240	1,914	1,611	1,531	
Total bills discounted	\$17,485	\$15,698	\$5,851	\$8,128	\$8,092	\$3,549	
Bills bought in open market	6,261	6,260	3,076	1,996	1,998	1,094	
Industrial advances	22,232	22,407	30,166	5,900	5,898	7,365	
U. S. Government securities:							
Bonds	732,608	732,608	265,680	210,233	210,233	66,473	
Treasury notes	1,152,213	1,152,213	1,536,227	330,691	330,691	477,660	
Treasury bills	641,469	641,469	628,337	184,105	184,105	183,250	
Total U. S. Govt. securities	\$2,526,290	\$2,526,290	\$2,430,244	\$725,029	\$725,029	\$729,383	
Other securities			181	...	...	...
Total bills and securities	\$2,572,268	\$2,570,655	\$2,469,518	\$741,062	\$741,017	\$741,391	
Due from foreign banks	226	228	237	85	85	91	
F. R. notes of other banks	18,847	21,615	20,243	3,846	5,268	5,514	
Uncollected items	646,056	604,558	613,591	147,814	148,398	145,075	
Bank premises	45,685	45,776	48,052	10,055	10,071	10,851	
All other assets	47,853	47,202	42,689	13,667	13,407	31,795	
Total assets	\$12,453,372	\$12,436,099	\$11,338,323	\$4,298,340	\$4,380,359	\$4,070,704	
LIABILITIES							
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	\$4,235,114	\$4,184,042	\$3,793,959	\$925,351	\$894,825	\$788,866	
Deposits:							
Member bank—reserve account	6,853,710	6,943,597	5,713,315	2,962,418	3,068,347	2,580,355	
U. S. Treasurer—gen. acct.	115,099	80,486	504,733	35,813	33,467	183,098	
Foreign bank	121,749	124,041	53,607	45,117	46,137	19,624	
Other deposits	133,705	136,725	295,406	62,368	68,664	253,971	
Total deposits	\$7,224,263	\$7,284,849	\$6,567,061	\$3,105,716	\$3,216,615	\$3,009,048	
Deferred availability items	645,317	618,046	594,315	145,554	147,473	130,001	
Capital paid in	132,198	132,202	130,796	51,261	51,267	50,866	
Surplus (Section 7)	145,854	145,854	145,501	51,474	51,474	50,825	
Surplus (Section 13b)	27,490	27,490	26,513	7,744	7,744	7,744	
Reserve for contingencies	35,940	35,939	34,114	9,091	9,091	8,849	
All other liabilities	7,196	7,677	46,064	2,149	1,870	24,505	
Total liabilities	\$12,453,372	\$12,436,099	\$11,338,323	\$4,298,340	\$4,380,359	\$4,070,704	
Ratio of total res. to dep. and Fed. Res. note liab. combined	79.6%	79.7%	78.6%	83.9%	84.2%	82.6%	
Contingent liab. on bills pur. for foreign correspondents	1,532	1,532	553	553	553	553	
Commits. to make ind. adv.	17,018	17,188	24,878	6,042	6,119	10,285	

Comparative Statement of Federal Reserve Banks

	Condition as of June 2, 1937		
District	Total Reserve	Total Bills Discounted	Total U. S. F. R. Notes in Circulation
Boston	\$488,455,000	\$1,361,000	\$154,109,000
New York	3,381,811,000	8,128,000	925,357,000
Philadelphia	543,098,000	1,502,000	213,336,000
Cleveland	712,531,000	1,365,000	242,922,000
Richmond	313,676,000	538,000	133,034,000
Atlanta	254,868,000	2,588,000	111,091,000
Chicago	1,774,202,000	182,000	278,398,000
St. Louis	244,880,000	1,158,000	111,385,000
Minneapolis	196,622,000	61,000	82,176,000
Kansas City	290,859,000	176,000	124,127,000
Dallas	189,155,000	60,600	98,634,000
San Francisco	682,280,000	823,000	219,049,000
Reichsbank	(Thousands of Reichsmarks)		
*May 31, 1937	May 24, 1937	May 15, 1937	May 7, 1937
Gold coin and bullion	68,605	68,535	68,485
Reserve in foreign currencies	5,854	5,960	5,764
Bills of exchange and checks	5,055,370	4,497,956	4,771,935
Silvers and other coins	+	+	5,827
Advances	50,039	33,519	31,165
Investments	104,154	104,407	105,154
Other assets	+	1,074,925	1,059,782
Notes in circulation	4,901,000	4,437,000	4,633,411
Other maturing obligations	503,863	778,891	736,330
Other liabilities	+	178,435	173,542
Bank rate	4%	4%	4%

*Cable report; subject to revision. †As reported in the official Reichsbank statement.
‡Not reported in cable.

Debits to Individual Accounts by Banks in Reporting Centers

	No. of Centers Included	Week Ended
Federal Reserve District		
1—Boston	17	May 26, 1937
2—New York	18	May 26, 1937
3—Philadelphia	18	May 26, 1937
4—Cleveland	25	May 26, 1937
5—Richmond	24	May 26, 1937
6—Atlanta	26	May 26, 1937
7—Chicago	41	May 26, 1937
8—St. Louis	16	May 26, 1937
9—Minneapolis	17	May 26, 1937
10—Kansas City	28	May 26, 1937
11—Dallas	18	May 26, 1937
12—San Francisco	29	May 26, 1937
Total New York City	274	\$8,330,030
New York City	1	3,219,947
Total outside New York City	273	\$5,110,083
		\$5,410,247
		\$4,276,540

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